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SUPREME COURT REJECTS DON BID TO HALT BIRTHRIGHT CITIZENSHIP

In a blow to Donald Trump's anti-immigration initiatives, the SC ruled 6-3 to maintain the right to citizenship for everyone born on US soil

ORDER RELIES ON THE 14TH AMENDMENT

Trump signed an executive order in 2025 decreeing that children born to parents in the US illegally or on temporary visas would not automatically become US citizens. Lower courts had blocked the order. Chief Justice John Roberts drew from the 14th amendment and wrote, "Children born in the US to parents unlawfully or temporarily present... are citizens at birth"

A NAIL IN THE COFFIN FOR ANTI-IMMIGRATION

- During arguments in April, both conservative and liberal justices questioned the order's legality in a momentous case that was magnified by Trump's unprecedented attendance in the courtroom
- Birthright citizenship was the first immigration-related policy of Trump to reach the SC for a final ruling till the closure on Tuesday | P17

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LOSS FOR TRUMP THIS TERM AFTER TARIFF SHOCKER AND FED GUV EPISODE

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HEAVYWEIGHTS PAY PENALTY

On a day of high-drama, Paraguay & Morocco prevailed over the established European powers Netherlands and Germany. A look...

PARAGUAY SEND GERMANY PACKING

Four-time champions Germany had come into the World Cup with a whole host of problems. But they were still expected to beat a limited Paraguay side in the first KO round. However, their structural issues were front and centre as they lost on penalties to Paraguay after coming from behind to equalise.

TALE OF TWO KEEPERS IN SHOOT-OUT

For Morocco & Paraguay, it was the tale of two keepers. **Yassine Bounou** worked miracles in 2022 and once again displayed his penalty saving acumen. But Paraguay's Orlando Gill, who had only two caps till 2025, emerged on top against Neuer.

Norway to face Brazil in last 16

Erling Haaland made the difference as Norway beat Ivory Coast 2-1 to set up a date with Brazil in the Round of 16. Norway took the lead through Antonio Nusa. Ivory Coast equalised through Amad Diallo before Haaland's intervention at the death.

NETHERLANDS SUFFER: When Cody Gakpo scored, all was going well for Netherlands. But that's when they became defensive and invited pressure. Morocco scored in injury time before Yassine Bounou's heroics in shoot-out.

KANE & CO AIM FOR PEACEFUL PASSAGE

England, still seeking their first World Cup triumph since 1966, face Africa's DR Congo in their first knockout round on Wednesday. The likes of Harry Kane will be a key player for them. This will be Congo's first ever knockout match.

TODAY'S MATCHES

England vs DR Congo 9.30 PM, Belgium vs Senegal 1.30 AM*, USA vs Bosnia & Herzegovina 5.30 AM* *(*IST Thursday)*

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Data-driven rollout of GRAM-G scheme today

It is a tech-led, resource-optimised model for rural development

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

THE Centre has rolled out the new framework for the rural job scheme VB-GRAM G, marking a decisive shift from the demand-driven approach of the UPA-era MGNREGA to a data-driven planning system powered by technology. Set to be implemented from Wednesday, the new framework seeks to transform how rural jobs are identified, prioritised and implemented for 125 days a year.

At the centre of the new framework is the Viksit Gram Panchayat Plan (VGPP), which will replace conventional village-level "wish list" planning with a technology-led, geospatially enabled, and resource-optimised model of rural development. Gram panchayats will now use integrated digital platforms such as Yuktdhara, PM Gati Shakti, Bhuvan and India-WRIS to map existing public assets, identify infrastructure gaps, and design development works based on real-time geospatial data.

The framework identifies five focus areas as water security, rural infrastructure, livelihoods, disaster mitigation and climate resilience.

A key departure from MGNREGA is the move from activity-based planning to outcome-based governance. Instead of tracking only the number of works completed, the new system will measure improvements in water security, livelihood generation, infrastructure quality and climate resilience.

Water security has been accorded top priority, with the Centre linking expenditure norms directly to groundwater stress levels. At least 65% of spending is proposed for over-exploited and critical groundwater blocks, around 40% in semi-critical regions, and 30% in safe groundwater zones.

Climate vulnerability assessments have also been integrated into gram panchayat planning. Villages will map exposure to droughts, floods, heatwaves, cyclones and other extreme weather events. From now, gram panchayat plans will be prepared through Gram Sabha consultations and approved by local-level resolutions. These plans will then be uploaded onto the Yuktdhara portal and consolidated at block, district, state and national levels. They will then be integrated into the Viksit Bharat National Rural Infrastructure Stack (VB-NRIS), a digital repository designed to align rural development works with broader national infrastructure priorities.

VB-GRAM G Act — Viksit Bharat 2047

Social inclusion

A key feature of the new framework is its focus on social inclusion. Priority in asset creation and livelihood support will be given to SCs, STs, women-headed households, persons with disabilities and other disadvantaged groups

POLICY CLARITY IN A YEAR

E20 at experimental stage, Centre tells SC

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY @ New Delhi

HC's order directing OMCs to consider enhancement of ethanol allocation to VINP Distilleries would destabilise the national policy

R Venkataramani, AG

THE Union government informed the Supreme Court on Tuesday that the 20% ethanol blending programme in petrol is still an "ongoing experiment" and the impact of the policy would be clearer by next year.

The SC was hearing a plea filed by BPCL challenging an order of the Karnataka High Court which directed OMCs to revisit the distribution and enhancement of ethanol allocation for 2025–26. In a relief to OMCs, the Supreme Court ordered a status quo with regard to the HC order.

A two-judge bench of justices M M Sundresh and Sheel Nagu issued notice to dedicated ethanol plants which had earlier procured a favourable order from the HC for enforcement of an agreement giving them rights to supply ethanol to OMCs. "Till the next date of hearing, status quo," SC said.

Attorney General R Venkataramani, appearing for BPCL, told the bench that the order could destabilise the national policy for 20% ethanol blending.

The plea before the High Court was filed by VINP Distilleries and Sugars, a Dedicated Ethanol Plant (DEP), which was bound under a long-term offtake agreement to exclusively supply ethanol to BPCL, HPCL, and IOCL. In 2025, the OMCs allowed procurement from non-DEPs too, and fresh tenders left VINP with just 1.44 crore litres against its 9.26 crore-litre bid. VINP moved the High Court.

Litigation floodgates

The Centre said entire ethanol allocation was over in October, 2025. If one supplier's quota was enhanced, others would claim parity, which would open litigation floodgates

Couple found dead, kin allege caste murder

MOHAMED SALAHUDEEN B @ Mayiladuthurai

A 19-year-old Scheduled Caste youth and a 17-year-old girl belonging to MBC community were found dead under mysterious circumstances inside a thatched shed near Sathankudi village in Tharangambadi taluk of Mayiladuthurai district on Tuesday. The deaths triggered protests by the youth's relatives and political parties, who alleged that the two are victims of honour killing and the case of suspicious death booked by the Poraiyar police must be changed to that of murder.

The deceased were identified as M Parthiban, a mason of Pudupalayam village, and a 17-year-old girl from neighbouring Sathankudi village who had recently completed Class 12. Sources said the two were in a relationship, and the girl's family was against it.

The police have registered three separate cases. First one under the SC and ST (Prevention of Atrocities) Act based on a complaint lodged by Parthiban hours before his death, a person missing case registered on the basis of a complaint filed by the girl's father, and the third one on unnatural death. A detailed probe is under way to determine whether the deaths were suicide or murder. P11

Swiss giant MSC to invest $1.4 bn in Vizhinjam port

VARSHA SOMARAJ & ARSHAD KHAN @ T'Puram / New Delhi

SWITZERLAND-based Mediterranean Shipping Company (MSC)—the world's largest shipping transport company—will invest $1.397 billion (about ₹13,220 crore) to acquire a 49% stake in Adani Vizhinjam Port Private Ltd (AVVPL), the concessionaire of the Vizhinjam port in Kerala, Adani Ports and Special Economic Zone Ltd (APSEZ) said on Tuesday.

The deal will boost the port's visibility on the global shipping map and bring in additional cargo volumes ahead of schedule, APSEZ said.

The pact, which is subject to regulatory approvals, is expected to capture a higher share of Bangladesh cargo, which currently relies on rival Southeast Asian hubs, it added.

After the transaction, which values AVVPL at $2.85 billion, APSEZ will hold 51% in AVVPL and retain majority control.

MSC's investment, billed as the largest private foreign investment in an Indian port, will be made through its arm Terminal Investment Ltd (TiL).

Ashwani Gupta, whole-time director and CEO of APSEZ, said: "Vizhinjam port has emerged as a premier transshipment hub and ramped up at an unprecedented pace, becoming the first Indian port to earn the unique distinction of crossing 2 million TEUs within 18 months of operations."

Suresh Babu, former MD of Vizhinjam International Seaport, said the deal shows Kerala's ability to attract FDI through private participation. "This is a landmark investment... To reap its full benefits, the long-delayed road and rail connectivity to the port must be completed. Kerala should pursue this as a joint project with the Centre and expand its scope to include Kanyakumari and Tirunelveli, which would make it even more beneficial."

1st deep-water port

Commissioned in December 2024, Vizhinjam International Seaport is India's first deep-draft transshipment port with 1.6 million TEU capacity

3rd MSC-APSEZ pact

The Vizhinjam deal is the third port partnership between APSEZ and MSC, after similar ventures at Mundra and Ennore ports

EXPRESS READ

AIADMK exodus due to EPS: TVK

Chennai: Citing a recent interview by IUML chief Kader Mohideen, Minister CTR Nirmal Kumar on Tuesday said DMK and AIADMK are trying to form a govt with BJP's support. The exodus of AIADMK leaders is a fallout of such attempts by EPS, he said | P8

HC upholds death in rape case

Madurai: The Madras HC on Tuesday confirmed the death penalty imposed on a 41-year-old man for sexual assault of three girls in Tirunelveli in 2023. "The accused, who has destroyed the soul and dignity of three children, is not fit to live," it said | P8

TN BEACH BOARDS MINERALS

More time for IREL mining plan sparks row

S GODSON WISELY DASS @ Thoothukudi

IN order to facilitate the IREL (India) Limited to obtain mining lease for quarrying seven critical minerals from beach sand, the Natural Resources Department of the Tamil Nadu government has extended the validity period of reservation for approval of 1,144.06 hectares of land for mining in eight coastal villages of Kanniyakumari district for one more year till June 10, 2027.

1,144 ha is proposed to be mined by IREL in Kanniyakumari coastal villages | FILE PIC

The order issued by the TVK government on June 10, 2026, has drawn criticism from political parties, environmentalists and fishermen as the TVK had passed a resolution against the same project two years ago. The state government has extended the land reservation validity by citing national security and strategic importance of atomic minerals.

The Ministry of Mines, in a notification dated June 11, 2021, reserved 1,144.06.18 hectares in eight coastal villages including Keezhmidalam-A, Midalam-B, Enayamputhuenthurai, Ezhudesam-A and Ezhudesam -B. P11

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Happy DOCTORS' DAY

A SPACE MARKETING INITIATIVE

Advancements in neonatology has led to fewer newborn deaths

Prof Dr Suba B Rajinikanth
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NEONATOLOGY, the branch of paediatrics devoted to the care of newborn babies, has emerged as one of the most important fields in modern medicine. It deals with premature and low-birth-weight infants, birth related problems, infections, and congenital conditions that can pose a serious threat to life in the first 28 days after birth. On Doctors' Day, it is appropriate to acknowledge the vital role of neonatologists in saving sick and fragile newborns.

In recent years, advances in neonatology have significantly improved outcomes across India. Better neonatal intensive care units, surfactant therapy, non-invasive ventilation, infection control, thermal care, and human milk banking have helped improve survival rates. Technology has also strengthened care, with advanced monitoring systems, point-of-care diagnostics, and AI-supported tools enabling earlier detection and faster treatment. These gains are visible in major metro cities like Chennai, and their reach is gradually expanding to district hospitals and public health systems as well.

India has made notable progress in child health. National data shows that under-five mortality has fallen sharply, with neonatal mortality rate also declining but at a slow and steady pace.

The improvements reflects improved care of pregnant mothers during pregnancy, promoting hundred percent institutional deliveries, and timely treatment and availability of neonatologists or trained paediatricians in the crucial first days of life of the newborn baby in both the government and the private hospitals.

The setting up of sick newborn care unit in every district with trained neonatologists/ Paediatricians along with specially trained nurses with good infrastructure is the future for further decrease of NMR.

TN has long been regarded as one of India's stronger states in maternal and child health. Its mortality indicators have improved through wide immunisation coverage, institutional deliveries, strong public health outreach, and a well-developed network of newborn care services. Yet continued focus on access to quality neonatal care remains essential and is an achievable goal in the near future.

The story of neonatology is ultimately one of hope: fewer deaths, better survival, and a future in which more newborns not only live, but thrive.

A royal salute to all those involved in the care of newborn especially the noble warriors: the neonatologists for their untiring and passionate work.

Early diagnosis may help prevent chronic liver disease

Dr R Kannan
Surgical gastroenterologist, Prime Indian Hospital, Arumbakkam , Chennai

CHRONIC liver disease (CLD) refers to a persistent injury leads to fibrosis (scarring), which may progress to cirrhosis, liver failure, and an increased risk of liver cancer. Chronic liver disease is a major global health problem that contributes significantly to illness as well as mortality.

In the early stages, chronic liver disease may not produce many noticeable symptoms. However, as the disease progresses, symptoms showing may include fatigue and weakness, loss of appetite, nausea and vomiting, weight loss, abdominal pain or swelling, jaundice (yellowing of the skin and eyes), itchy skin, swelling of the legs (edema), easy bruising or bleeding and confusion or drowsiness.

Risk factors include heavy alcohol use, obesity, type 2 Diabetes, high cholesterol, intravenous drug use, unprotected sexual contact with infected individuals, family history of liver disease, and exposure to contaminated blood

Untreated chronic liver disease may lead to complications such as cirrhosis, portal hypertension, ascites, esophageal varices, hepatic encephalopathy, liver failure, and hepatocellular carcinoma.

The treatment depends on the underlying cause and stage of disease. It may include antiviral therapy for chronic viral hepatitis, complete abstinence from alcohol in alcohol-related liver disease, weight loss, healthy diet, and regular exercise for fatty liver disease, medications for autoimmune liver diseases, anagement of complications, or liver transplantation for end-stage liver disease.

Medical history and physical examination is necessary for investigation. This includes blood tests, including liver function tests, viral hepatitis screening, ultrasound, CT scan, or MRI of the liver, elastography (FibroScan) to assess liver stiffness, and liver biopsy in selected cases.

Nursing Management will monitor liver function and vital signs, assess for signs of complications such as ascites, bleeding, and encephalopathy, administer prescribed medications, encourage adequate nutrition with appropriate protein intake as advise. They will also monitor fluid balance and body weight, educate patients about avoiding alcohol and hepatotoxic drugs, and provide psychological support and health education.

Chronic liver disease is a long-term condition that can lead to serious complications if left untreated.

Early diagnosis, appropriate treatment of the underlying cause, lifestyle modifications, and regular follow-up can slow disease progression and improve quality of life.

Public health measures such as hepatitis vaccination, healthy living, and reducing alcohol misuse are essential for preventing chronic liver disease.

Common causes

- Chronic viral hepatitis, especially Hepatitis B and Hepatitis C
- Excessive alcohol consumption
- Nonalcoholic fatty liver disease
- Genetic disorders such as Wilson disease and Hemochromatosis
- Autoimmune liver diseases
- Nonalcoholic fatty liver disease

Preventive measures

- Vaccination against Hepatitis B
- Limiting or avoiding alcohol
- Maintaining a healthy body weight
- Eating a balanced diet
- Safe injection practices
- Regular physical activity
- Avoiding unnecessary medications and toxic substances
- Regular health check-ups for high-risk individuals

REDEFINING SKIN CARE THROUGH PERSONALISED HEALING THAT GOES BEYOND PRESCRIPTIONS

Dr Bhairavi Senthil
MD, Chief Dermatologist & Founder, DR B 360° Dermatology Experiential Center

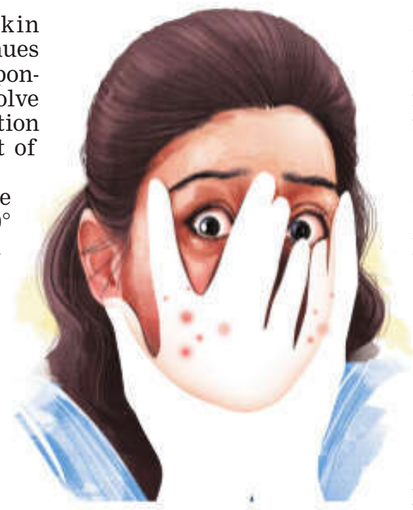
FOR me, being a doctor has never been just about treating, it has always been about understanding the person behind it. Over the past 14 years, my journey in dermatology has taught me that healing extends far beyond prescriptions and procedures.

Every consultation is an opportunity to restore confidence, improve quality of life, and help someone feel comfortable in their own skin again. As medicine continues to evolve, I believe our responsibility as doctors is to evolve with it, embracing innovation while never losing sight of compassion.

This belief inspired me to create India's first 360° Dermatology Experiential Centre, where science, technology, wellness, and personalised care come together to offer patients a truly holistic experience.

My vision always was to redefine dermatology as one that promotes long-term skin health, healthy ageing, and overall well-being

Dr Bhairavi Senthil



My vision has always been to redefine dermatology, not merely as a specialty that treats skin conditions, but as one that promotes long-term skin health, healthy ageing, and overall well-being.

On this National Doctors Day, I remember with gratitude the mentors who shaped me, the patients who continue to place their trust in me, and my father, Dr. K.T.K. Mathu, whose unwavering commitment to serving people reminds me every day that medicine is not just a profession, it is a lifelong privilege.

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Delivering world-class healthcare through Centres of Excellence

AS Chennai continues to expand beyond its traditional boundaries, the healthcare landscape has evolved alongside it. Emerging as a pioneer in advanced tertiary care, SRM Global Hospital has established itself as one of the leading private-sector hospitals in the Chengalpattu district, delivering world-class healthcare through clinical excellence, advanced technology, and patient-centric care.

SRM Global Hospital has consistently earned recognition for its clinical excellence. According to the Outlook Hospital Rankings (June 2026), the hospital has been ranked 3rd Best Hospital for Cardiology in Chennai and 4th Best Hospital for Pulmonology in Chennai, adding to its reputation as one of the region's leading healthcare institutions.

The hospital's Centres of Excellence provide comprehensive, multidisciplinary treatment across key specialties. The Centre of Excellence in Cardiology & Cardiothoracic Surgery offers advanced diagnosis and treatment for complex heart conditions, including robotic-assisted cardiac surgeries that enable greater precision, smaller incisions, reduced pain, and faster recovery. The Centre of Excellence in Orthopedics provides expert care for bone, joint, spine, and sports injuries, offering advanced joint replacements, trauma care, arthroscopic procedures, and comprehensive rehabilitation.

The Centre of Excellence in Neurosciences combines experienced neurologists, neurosurgeons, and state-of-the-art diagnostics to manage stroke, epilepsy, brain and spine disorders, and other complex neurological conditions. The Centre of Excellence in Gastroenterology delivers advanced care for digestive, liver, pancreatic, and gastrointestinal diseases, with robotic-assisted gastrointestinal surgeries enhancing surgical precision and patient outcomes.

The Centre of Excellence in Obstetrics & Gynecology offers comprehensive women's healthcare, including high-risk pregnancy management, fertility services, and robotic-assisted gynecological surgeries, ensuring minimally invasive treatment and quicker recovery.

The hospital has also become a preferred destination for patients from West Bengal, the Andaman & Nicobar Islands, and the North Eastern states of India, many of whom choose SRM Global Hospital as a one-stop destination for advanced tertiary care. In addition, SRM Global Hospital actively promotes Medical Value Travel (MVT) and welcomes international patients from Sudan, Bangladesh, and Sri Lanka.

Its strategic location, affordable treatment options, internationally benchmarked clinical care, and dedicated pre- and post-treatment support have made it a preferred choice for medical tourism patients seeking quality healthcare in India.

"At SRM Global Hospital, our vision is to make world-class tertiary healthcare accessible through clinical excellence, advanced technology, and compassionate care. By continuously investing in Centres of Excellence, robotic surgery, and multidisciplinary expertise, we remain committed to delivering the highest standards of treatment for patients from across India and around the world," said

Dr Chandrasekaran, Chief Operating Officer of SRM Global Hospitals.

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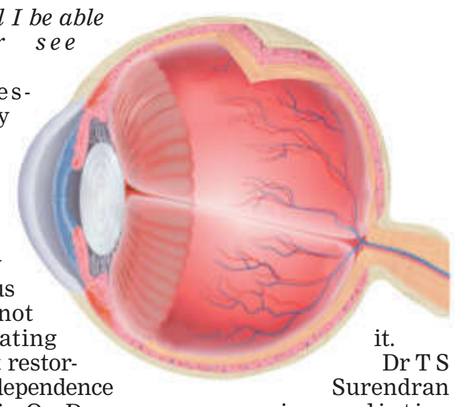
Dr Chandrasekaran, Chief Operating Officer of SRM Global Hospitals

MEDICINE AT ITS BEST PREVENTS & NOT JUST TREATS

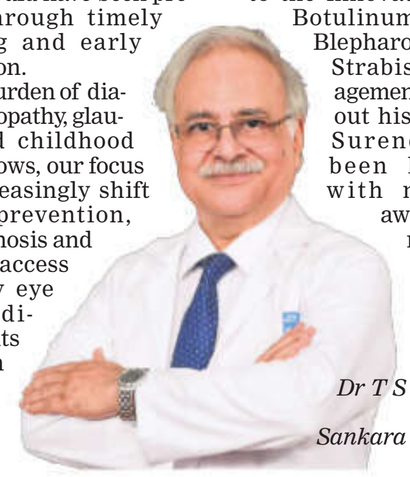


"Doctor, *will I be able to ever see again?*" Few questions carry as much hope and responsibility. As ophthalmologists, we hear those words almost every day and they remind us that medicine is not merely about treating disease, but about restoring confidence, independence and quality of life. On Doctors' Day, we celebrate the dedication, resilience and compassion of doctors who continue to serve with commitment, often placing the needs of their patients above their own.

In eye care, every restored vision transforms a life. A child returns to school, a grandparent recognises the face of a loved one, and a worker regains the ability to earn a livelihood. Yet, the finest eye surgery is often the one that could have been prevented through timely screening and early intervention.

As the burden of diabetic retinopathy, glaucoma and childhood myopia grows, our focus must increasingly shift towards prevention, early diagnosis and equitable access to quality eye care. Medicine is at its best when it not only treats illness but prevents it.

Dr T S Surendran is a distinguished figure in the field of Ophthalmology, serving as the Chairman of Sankara Nethralaya. With a rich educational background including degrees from prestigious institutions like the University of Madras and Birla Institute of Technology & Science, Dr Surendran has undergone extensive training both in India and abroad, specializing in areas such as botox injections, paediatric ophthalmology, etc. His expertise extends to the innovative use of Botulinum Toxin in Blepharospasm and Strabismus management. Throughout his career, Dr Surendran has been honoured with numerous awards, recognizing his contributions to the field.



Dr T S Surendran, chairman, Sankara Nethralaya

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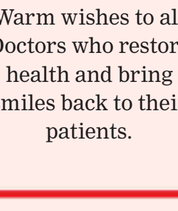
Warm wishes to all Doctors who restore health and bring smiles back to their patients.

Dr. G Prathap Kumar

Thanks to Doctors for helping us lead healthier lives. Society is forever grateful for your service.

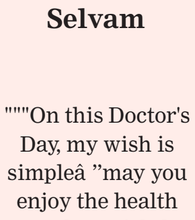


Dr. G.Panneer Selvam

"""On this Doctor's Day, my wish is simpleâ "may you enjoy the health you often wish for others."""

Dr. K.P. Shamsuddeen

Good health is one of life's greatest blessings, and we are grateful to our Doctors for helping us protect and preserve it every day."



Dr. Socrates

When there are tears, you are a shoulder. When there is pain, you are a medicine. When there is a tragedy, you are a hope.

Dr. Velmariappan

Warm wishes to Doctors who never give up hope and always strive for the best outcomes.

Dr. Senthil Raj.T

DEAR PATIENTS, YOUR COURAGE INSPIRES US; YOUR TRUST HUMBLES US; AND YOUR RECOVERY MOTIVATES US EVERY DAY.

Dr. T.Ashok Kumar

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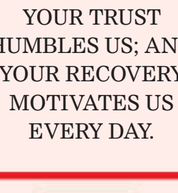

Dr. Stalin Roy. J

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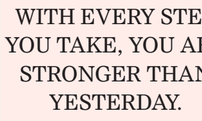
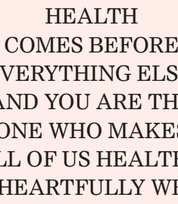


Dr. K.V.Loga Venkatesh

EVERY DAY IS A FRESH START, TO INVEST IN YOUR HEART HEALTH ND WELL BEING.



Dr. Samuel Jebavaram.D

YOU ARE NOT DEFINED BY YOUR CONDITION. BUT, BY THE COURAGE IN YOUR HEART.

Dr. D.S.Victor

LISTEN TO YOUR HEART, TAKE CARE OF IT DAILY, AND IT WILL KEEP BEATING FOR YOU.

Dr. A.R. Anantharaman

TREART YOUR HEART RIGHT; BY MAKING SMALL HEALTHY CHOICES EVERY SINGLE DAY.

Dr. G.Arun

A HEALTHY LIFE STYLE FOSTERS A HEALTHY HEART. STAY ACTIVE, AVOID JUNK AND EAT NUTRITIOUS FOODS, AND PRIORITIZE QUALITY SLEEP.

GASTROENTERLOGIST

Dr. A.Mohamed Jaan

Health awareness is a most important information every citizen need to know, but where to acquire the knowledge is much more important. Please contact your family physician

Dr. C Sugumar

Be aware of fatty liver, make your liver more solid & stronger by doing physical activity

Dr. Chandra Mohan

The word trust is important for both doctors and patients, one should believe and respect each others for a successful outcome.

Dr. Ganesh P

Be aware of what you eat, the single most reason for all disturbances.

Dr. Krishna Kumar S

Life loves the liver of it

Dr. M.Manimaran

Take care of your food. Take care of your gut. Take care of your health

Dr. Malarvizhi

Protect your health.by changes in food lifestyle and food habits. Focus on your mental health by engaging in activities which bring happiness to you

Dr. Nageswar Rao

Do not ignore fatty liver

Dr. RS. Arun

The Road is Doved with good intestine

Dr. S.Kavitha

Be aware of fatty liver, make your liver more solid & stronger by doing physical activity

Dr. Shyam Sundar

Avoid : oily , salty diet which serves as a trigger for reflux disease. consume plenty of oral fluids.

Dr. Vinoth Kumar

Healthy body is the biggest wealth, regular healthy diet is the best way to stay active and fit, eat healthy stay wealthy.

NEUROLOGIST

Dr. Balambighai

Doctors are true heroes without caps, thank you for your unwavering dedication, compassionate care, and tireless efforts in keeping communities healthy and safe.

Dr. Nirmal Kumar

Sharing heartfelt gratitude to all the doctors who work tirelessly to keep person healthy. Your dedication and selflessness are unparalleled. Happy doctor's day!

Dr. S Arunan

On this doctor's day, we express our deepest gratitude to the caring and dedicated doctors who make a difference in countless lives.

Dr. S Vinoth Kanna

Happy doctor's day to the brilliant minds who heal with their knowledge, care with their hearts and touch lives with their compassion.

Dr. Shubha Subramanian

To our inspiring frontline workers, heartfelt gratitude for your endless efforts, compassion, and sacrifices in protecting and caring for communities every day.

NEUROSURGEON

Dr. Balamurugan M

We salute your heroism, compassion, and dedication in saving lives. Your selfless efforts and unwavering commitment continue to inspire us every day.

Dr. T.P Jeyaselva Senthilkumar

Wishing a fantastic doctor's day to the compassionate healers who tirelessly work to keep people healthy.

Dr. VTT Rajan

My greatest reward as a doctor is witnessing my patient's recovery & knowing that i have played a part in restoring patient's health.

PEDIATRIC NEUROLOGIST

Dr. N. Mahesh

You are true heroes whose presence, resilience, and compassionate care inspire us every day. Thank you for your continue dedication and selfless service.

Dr. Neeraj

Heartfelt gratitude to all doctors for tirelessly serving humanity, promoting public health, and delivering compassionate care with dedication, excellence, and kindness every day.

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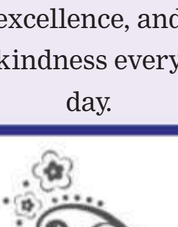

Dr. Kavitha

Happy doctor's day to the superheroes who don't wear caps but save lives every day. Your dedication and sacrifice are truly admirable.

Dr. Padmapriya Chanan

Happy doctor's day to the healers, caregivers, and lifesavers! Your compassion and knowledge bring hope and healing to countless lives. We are forever grateful.

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World Rank #1 550+API Manufacturer*
World Rank #1 560+ US DMFs Filing*
One of Asia's Largest R&D Center*
1100+ Patents*
400+ Bioequivalent Formulations*
50+ First in India Launches*
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Research for Better Medicines

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ORTHOPAEDIC

Dr. Ezhilrajan.B

Practice evidence based medicine always, co-operate for finding out the evidence

Dr. Lakshmi Narayan

A doctors care is the ultimate remedy for hope, health and happiness

Dr. Ranjith.R

Stay active with low impact exercises, maintain a healthy body weight to reduce joint precure and have a healthy diet to have healthy joints.

Dr. Shanmuga Boopathy G

Healthy joints are the key to healthy aeging, strong bones, active life. Mobility is freedon, protect it.

Dr. Sreekumar Raghavan

Fail prevention in the elderly is very improtant in reducing the trauma load

Dr. Sriram Thanigai

Orthopedics is all about protecting the freedom to move

ENDOCRINOLOGIST

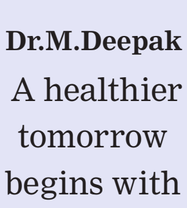
Dr. R Ramkumar

Appreciate doctors not just for their medical expertise, but for their unwavering commitment to their patients."Happy Doctors' day"

UROLOGIST

Dr.M.Deepak

A healthier tomorrow begins with informed decisions today. Understanding health risks empowers individuals to make choices that support long-term wellbeing.



Dr.Kabilan Saminathan

Education remains one of healthcare's most valuable tools, empowering individuals to make informed decisions and take charge of wellbeing.

Dr.Nivedita.C

Strength is not measured by circumstances but by the willingness to continue striving despite uncertainty, setbacks, and unexpected difficulties.

Dr.T.Antan Uresh Kumar

Listening carefully to your body can reveal important signs. Early attention to symptoms often leads to more effective treatment outcomes.

Dr.T.R.Rajkumar

The pursuit of excellence in medicine requires curiosity, dedication, and an unwavering commitment to improving patient care every day.

Dr.Prabakaran Asaithambi

Behind every advancement in healthcare lies a shared goal: enhancing quality of life and creating better opportunities for future generations.

Dr.G.Ramesh

Every new day presents another opportunity to focus on progress, appreciate achievements, and continue working toward personal health goals.

Dr.C.Dev Krishna Bharathi

The greatest achievement in healthcare is helping individuals lead active, fulfilling lives while maintaining physical, emotional, and mental wellbeing throughout life.

Dr.Sandeep Bafna

Healthy living is built through daily choices. Consistency, balance, and self-awareness are essential foundations for long-term wellbeing and vitality.

Dr. Lakshmi-narayan KR

In this age of whatsapp & chatgpt, doctors have to be more patient towards patients and more careful in decisions.

Dr. R. VEERAPPAN

The strongest foundation for success, happiness, and productivity is good health. Protect it with the same dedication given to other priorities.

Dr Vasanth Kumar

Every setback offers an opportunity to discover inner strength. Progress is achieved through persistence, even when the path seems difficult.

Dr.Arun Ramaiah

Every healthy choice you make today contributes to a brighter future. Small actions, practiced consistently, can create meaningful improvements in wellbeing.

DERMATOLOGIST

Dr. Shoba

"Healthy skin is a sign of a healthy life. Saluting doctors who work tirelessly to restore confidence, comfort, and well-being. Happy Doctors' Day!"

Dr. Deepthi Ravi

A healed patient is a Doctor's greatest reward, Bringing unmatched happiness, Happy Doctor's Day!

DIABETOLOGIST

Dr. L.Meenakshi Sundaram

Amidst the uncertainty of illness, doctors provide a steady hand of care, compassion, and expertise."Happy Doctors' day"

Dr. Madanamohan

Doctors don't just save lives; they provide hope, healing, and comfort to those in their darkest moments."Happy Doctors' day"

Dr. H.Vishnu Shankar

Doctors don't just treat diseases; they provide comfort, support, and guidance to those facing life's challenges."Happy Doctors' day"

Dr. Ramesh Kumar M

In a world where every decision matters, doctors carry the weight of responsibility on their shoulders."Happy Doctors'day"

Dr. A.Sanjay

In the face of adversity, doctors rise to the occasion, demonstrating resilience, compassion, and unwavering dedication to their patients."Happy Doctors' day"

CONSULTANT PHYSICIAN

Dr. Manigandaraj

Behind every medical decision is a doctor who weighs the risks, uncertainties, and ethical considerations with care and compassion."Happy Doctors Day"

Dr. G Sai Ramanan

Consult your doctor not with disease but to prevent a disease

GYNECOLOGIST

Dr. Kundavi Shankar

Understanding the cause of symptoms through timely diagnosis can reduce uncertainty and help women plan their healthcare journey effectively.

Dr. Vasundra Thiagarajan

Greater awareness about fibroids encourages early recognition of symptoms, timely consultations, and informed healthcare decisions that can significantly improve women's quality of life.

Dr. Divya Sivaraman

Improving awareness of fibroids contributes to healthier women, stronger families, and communities that better support women's healthcare needs.

Dr. C. Suhashini Karnal

Changes in menstrual patterns, heavy bleeding, or persistent discomfort should never be overlooked. Menstrual health remains an important part of overall wellness.

Dr. Gayathri Kumar

Heavy menstrual bleeding can contribute to iron deficiency and anemia, affecting energy, productivity, and overall health.

Dr. Harinie Karthik

Recognizing symptoms early helps women seek timely guidance and avoid unnecessary delays in understanding and addressing menstrual health concerns.

Dr. Haveena Thangamani

Open communication about symptoms helps women seek answers, gain clarity, and take proactive steps toward better health.

Dr. S. Samundi Sankari

Greater awareness about fibroids encourages early recognition of symptoms, timely consultations, and informed healthcare decisions that can significantly improve women's quality of life.

Dr. Karthik Sadasivam

Women often delay addressing their own health concerns. Prioritizing symptoms and seeking timely evaluation supports long-term well-being and healthier outcomes.

Dr. Keerthana Rajasekaran

Fibroids vary in size, location, and symptoms. Management decisions should be tailored to each woman's unique health needs and goals.

Dr. P.M. Gopinath

Seeking medical advice early can provide clarity, identify underlying causes, and offer more options for managing fibroid-related symptoms effectively.

Dr. Sudha Shivakumar

Women should feel comfortable discussing menstrual concerns and seeking reliable information about changes in bleeding patterns.

Dr. Vidhya Selvam

Fibroids affect every woman differently. Understanding individual symptoms and concerns is essential when considering the most appropriate management approach.

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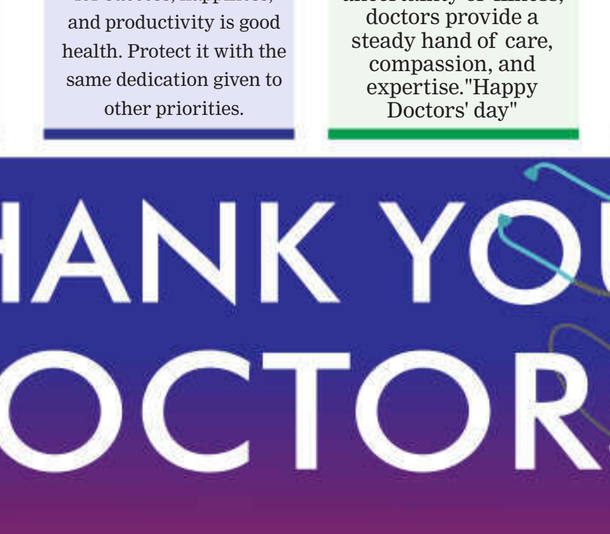

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Tithi: K. Pratipada till 07.39 hrs • Nakshatra (Star): P. Shadha till 06.52hrs.
Moon in Dhanu till 13.33 hrs. Today is Guru Hargovind Simha Jayanti
Rahukaalam: 12:00-13:30 • Yamagantam: 07:30-09:00 • Gulikakalam: 10:30-12:00

WEATHER
MIN 28°C | MAX 34°C
FORECAST: Mostly cloudy

Sunrise 05:46 am | Sunset 06:39 pm | Moonrise 07:55 pm | Moonset 07:32 am

Hospital chairs turn home as parents keep vigil for their 21-yr-old

SHIBA PRASAD SAHU @ Chennai

FOR five nights, Kedar Juanga (43) and his wife have slept on a row of steel chairs outside the intensive care unit on the second floor of Venkateswara Hospital in Tiruvallur district. Their only child, 21-year-old Sima, lies connected to a ventilator, her right hand in plaster and her left tied to the bed frame to stop her pulling free the tubes keeping her alive.

Sima fell victim to the ammonia leak on June 21 at the St Peter and Paul Sea Food Export Private Limited where she worked. She has been unable to breathe unaided since. She was also two months pregnant at the time of the leak; doctors have warned her family that the pregnancy may need to be terminated if her condition does not improve. On Tuesday, she was rushed to Rajiv Gandhi General Hospital after her condition deteriorated.

Kedar and his wife travelled from their village in Keonjhar district in Odisha to see their daughter with no knowledge of Tamil or English and little cash. They traced Sima in the hospital only after first visiting the factory and then the relief camp where other workers are housed. Sima had married a man from a different village in their home district — a match he had initially opposed.

Kedar, who farms for a living, said two days of auto fares and food wiped out his savings; he has since asked a friend back home to wire more money. Of the five workers from the leak still in the ICU, Kedar said his daughter's is the only family to have made the journey. He believes the others could not afford to travel. In their absence, he has been helping the other patients, including a young worker suffering a persistent cough who has been asking him for chewing tobacco. Kedar claimed neither the TN nor Odisha government had made contact with the family. "We just want to take her home when she is fine," he said.

Sima Juanga (21) under treatment in the ICU at a hospital in Tiruvallur (Top). Kedar and his wife waiting outside on Tuesday | SHIBA PRASAD SAHU

10 days after gas leak, several questions remain unanswered

Confusion prevailed due to issues in identifying victims, sharing info with kin and coordination

RAJALAKSHMI SAMPATH @ Chennai

THE June 21 ammonia gas leak at the St Peter & Paul Sea Foods Exports Private Limited in Tiruvallur, which killed 16 people, is the first major disaster the TVK government has had to handle since coming to power on May 10. Ten days later, questions are emerging about the manner in which migrant workers were identified, how information was shared with their families and colleagues and how the state coordinated with their home governments.

For instance, it is only on June 24 — three days after the leak — that many of the workers hailing from Odisha, Assam, West Bengal and Jharkhand and under treatment at the hospital said they were first able to speak to their families. The families of some victims only found out about the disaster only when the workers called and not through official channels. At that point, revenue officials were still going hospital to hospital collecting names, ages and native districts of victims. Police and hospital staff were separately trying to verify patient identities. Officials blamed mismatched Aadhaar details and the language barrier for the delay — a problem for which a state employing lakhs of migrant workers ought to have been prepared.

While the health department started issuing daily bulletins on injured and deceased, the names on the list of the deceased kept changing as identities were verified, distressing and confusing worker families. Worse, even the factory workers housed in a relief camp in Tiruvallur were not informed about the condition of their friends and loved ones in hospital.

Forty-two migrant workers employed at the seafood unit set to return home after the Jharkhand government arranged train tickets for them on Tuesday | EXPRESS

Rajamika Juang, an Odisha worker, only learnt of the death of his cousin, Geeta Juang, when his family told him her body had reached the village. "I kept asking about my sister's condition, but nobody gave me a clear answer," he said.

Rupesh (30, name changed), a worker from Jharkhand whose wife is still hospitalised, said the family had no choice but to keep visiting the hospital. "Nobody updated us. We were only told she was fine, no other details," he said.

Much of this confusion traces back to the firm which owned the plant but had no readily accessible database of who actually worked there.

The workers' home states also moved at different speeds. Odisha got its workers home within days. Jharkhand's workers have had the longest wait, leaving only on Tuesday, while those from Assam said their labour department didn't reach out to them until well after the leak. The remaining six workers, from West Bengal and Kerala, are at a community hall. Revenue officials said the TN government is making travel arrangements for them.

At the relief camp, not everyone wanted to leave for home immediately. Some workers said they preferred to stay back and look after hospitalised relatives. Independent labour activist Sudharson alleged that a worker who did not want to leave was convinced by authorities to leave, and eventually couldn't disembark from the train after learning a relative had been hospitalised.

He claimed officials had prevented activists from interacting with the workers. Authorities at the site also prevented reporters from interacting with workers, saying the restriction was to help them "recover from the traumatic incident". Yet, even a week after the tragedy, the state government is yet to arrange for counselling or psychological support for those who may need it, particularly the several minor workers engaged at the unit.

Gumani Juanga, one of the deceased from Odisha's Keonjhar district, was only 15. Her brother, Vidyadhar Juanga, said she had dropped out after Class V and come to Chennai five months ago on the promise of ₹15,000 a month. "This was her first job and now, her last," he said. Police arrested labour contractor P Suresh, an Odisha native, for allegedly recruiting underage workers with forged Aadhaar cards. Police are still looking for another suspected agent Srikant Juang. Four people, including the unit's owners and manager, have been arrested so far.

While the issue of child labour only came to light because of the tragedy, a senior labour department official told *TNIE* there were no immediate plans to identify minors employed similarly elsewhere in the state but 'routine inspections' will continue.

Tiruvallur collector S Kavitha said the private firm had cleared the salary arrears and the ex gratia announced by the state government has been sent to district collectors in the workers' home states for disbursal to next of kin. As on Tuesday evening, the health department bulletin said 16 people had died, 83 were affected, 41 discharged and 26 were still under treatment.

(With inputs from S Kumaresan @ Chennai)

'VAANAMPADI'

Eminent poet Puviyarasu dies aged 96

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Coimbatore

POET Puviyarasu, who received the Sahitya Akademi award in 2007 for *Puratchikaaran* — Tamil translation of Kazi Nazrul Islam's 'The Revolutionary' — and in 2009 for the poetry collection *Kaioppam* (Signature), died due to age-related ailments at the age of 96 at his house in Press Colony near Periyanaickenpalayam on the city outskirts on Tuesday.

Puviyarasu had translated the works of world-renowned writers such as William Shakespeare, Kahlil Gibran, Omar Khayyam, Fyodor Dostoevsky and Rabindranath Tagore into Tamil.

Born in 1930 in Udumalpet in then Coimbatore district as Jaganathan, he later adopted the Tamil name Puviyarasu, as Jaganathan is a Sanskrit name.

Poet Puviyarasu

Puviyarasu was one of the founders of the *Vaanampadi* poetry movement, which played a significant role in shifting Tamil poetry from the traditional style to modern free verse. He had also fought tirelessly for Tamil to be recognised and implemented as an official administrative language.

Puviyarasu had authored more than 120 books and translated numerous literary works from English into Tamil. He also contributed to the film industry as a dialogue writer for the Tamil films Mahanadhi and Virumaandi.

CPI Coimbatore district secretary C Sivasamy, Tamil Nadu Kalai Ilakkiya Perumandram district secretary B B Ramani, and Oppressed People's Rights Movement district secretary A Ashraf Ali expressed their deep condolences and paid tribute to the departed writer.

His funeral will be held at a crematorium in Vannankovil on Wednesday at 9 am.

Customs may deserve respect, discrimination never does: HC

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Madurai

HOLDING that customs may deserve respect but not discrimination, the Madurai Bench of the Madras High Court recently issued a series of directions to the Dindigul collector to inquire and decide a petition which alleged caste discrimination in the conduct of an annual temple festival in Muthalapuram village in Dindigul.

Justice L Victoria Gowri was hearing a petition filed by a resident of the village's North Street, which is predominantly inhabited by members of the Devendrakula Vellalar community, alleging that a ceremonial wooden chest, which is taken on procession during the festival every year in the Tamil month of Thai, is deliberately prevented from entering their street by other community members.

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>
> Madurai Bench of Madras HC

Though the latter argued that the procession follows the customary route and there is no caste discrimination, the judge opined that she cannot overlook the disputed question of facts regarding the routes. To ensure that no practice, custom, usage, or social arrangement results in a disability founded upon caste, she held that an informed decision has to be taken by the collector by conducting comprehensive inquiries and meetings with all stakeholders within three months.

The true strength of a democratic society lies not in preserving exclusionary traditions but in reforming them in the light of constitutional morality. Customs may deserve respect; discrimination never does, she added. The district administration should approach the issue not as a mere law-and-order exercise but as an opportunity to reinforce the constitutional values of equality, dignity and fraternity among all residents of the village, she further said and disposed of the petition.

3.45L new students join state govt schools, more may enrol

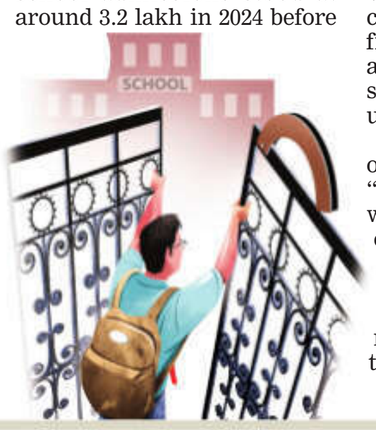
SUBASHINI VIJAYAKUMAR @ Chennai

THE number of admissions to government schools in Tamil Nadu have reached around 3.45 lakh as of June 25, as per data from the school education department. While the figure is lower than the little over 4 lakh admissions recorded by end of July last year, officials expect enrolment to rise as admissions stay open until end of July.

According to the department's data for 2026-27, 2,40,303 students have enrolled in Class 1 so far, including 1,81,761 in Tamil medium and 58,542 in English medium. Another 23,734 have joined kindergarten (LKG and UKG). Around 80,000 children have joined in classes 2 to 11.

Last year, government schools recorded 4,00,364 admissions by July 30, according to the directorate of elementary education. The figure included 32,807 KG admissions, 2,11,563 in Tamil-medium Class 1,63,896 in English-medium Class 1, and 92,098 in classes 2 to 8. Class 1 accounted for nearly 70% of all admissions in both years.

Officials said government school admissions stood at around 3.2 lakh in 2024 before rising to over four lakh in 2025. They said the spike was partly due to the delay in admissions under the 25% quota in private schools mandated by the Right to Education (RTE) Act.



With RTE admissions not taking place initially, many parents enrolled their children in government schools instead. With RTE admissions being conducted on time this year, officials said government school admissions are expected to be slightly lower than last year's unusually high enrolment.

Meanwhile, a representative of a teachers' association said, "Though the state has several welfare schemes that benefit children, many parents prefer to enrol their children in private schools due to the shortage of teachers. The government should immediately fill these vacancies."

EXPRESS READ

TNEA 2026 rank list to be released today

Chennai: Directorate of Technical Education (DoTE) will release the TN Engineering Admissions (TNEA) 2026 rank list, along with the counselling schedule on Wednesday. The rank list, originally scheduled for June 29, was postponed to accommodate the completion of the CBSE re-evaluation process and certificate verification. This year, over 2.5 lakh students have registered for TNEA counselling. Candidates can download their rank cards from the official TNEA portal using their login credentials. ENS

Horoscopes By Holiday

HOLIDAY MATHIS

01st July : Cat Scratch Fever From Peggy Lee's "Fever" to Ted Nugent's "Cat Scratch Fever," intense attractions have oft been described as the woozy illness that heats the body. Yesterday, Jupiter entered Leo on tiger paws, amplifying desire, confidence and appetite. How can we resist what we can't resist? Perhaps this is one of those moments when surrender requires less effort than restraint.

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
Resilience is one of your superpowers. You have learned how to adapt and bounce back. Every challenge has taught you something useful, and today you handle something so easily, not in spite of those challenges but because of them.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 - May 20)
Nobody else can bring your exact combination of experiences, interests, obsessions, humor, grief, curiosity and insight to a project. Also, you don't need everyone to agree with your choices. They don't have to make sense to anyone but you.

GEMINI (May 21 - June 21)
Anyone can be kind and competent on a normal Wednesday, but you welcome the heightened circumstances when they come, knowing that it's grace under fire that forges the good stuff. Heightened circumstances are opportunities for true character to emerge.

CANCER (June 22 - July 22)
You're not just hoping things will work out, you make them work. It's in the details now. Small adjustments create outsized results. The finishing touches are where the magic happens -- the glossy varnish turns "good" into "exceptional."

LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22)
You trust yourself more than you did, for the simple reason that you just keep delivering results you can stand by. You're gaining experience you need to do quick, dependable work. You'll make a decision that brings immediate reward.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22)
A gift doesn't require repayment. If there are strings attached, it's not a gift, it's a negotiation. There may be expectations attached to today's exchange of "generosity." The real question is: Are those terms acceptable to you?

LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 23)
Today, it's not about being right. It's about progress, which always involves the whole mechanism. If one gear fits, great. But what does that mean to the next gear and the next? Everything must turn together. Think in terms of systems.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 21)
Not every lesson can be taught in advance. Some people need firsthand experience. Caring about someone doesn't give you the power to spare them every consequence. Though you feel responsible for people, you are not responsible for their choices.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)
You share your knowledge and lead others with certainty and care. As excellent as you are at educating others, experience remains the more powerful teacher. Consider whether your best move is to step back with love and let them discover for themselves.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)
Even though you're extremely observant, don't assume appearances tell the whole story, either about other people or about yourself. Today, it's safe to assume there's much more going on behind the scenes than meets the eye.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)
Restraint can be mistaken for passivity or weakness -- no. Ask any dam: Restraint takes real strength, fortifications, tons of metal or mettle, as the case may be. Today, your restraint will be the move of champions.

PISCES (Feb. 19 - Mar 20)
You don't always play to win, at least not on the small scale of the game. Sure, games are often nice to win, but you're playing to connect, and therefore you win just by playing.

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle ⬇

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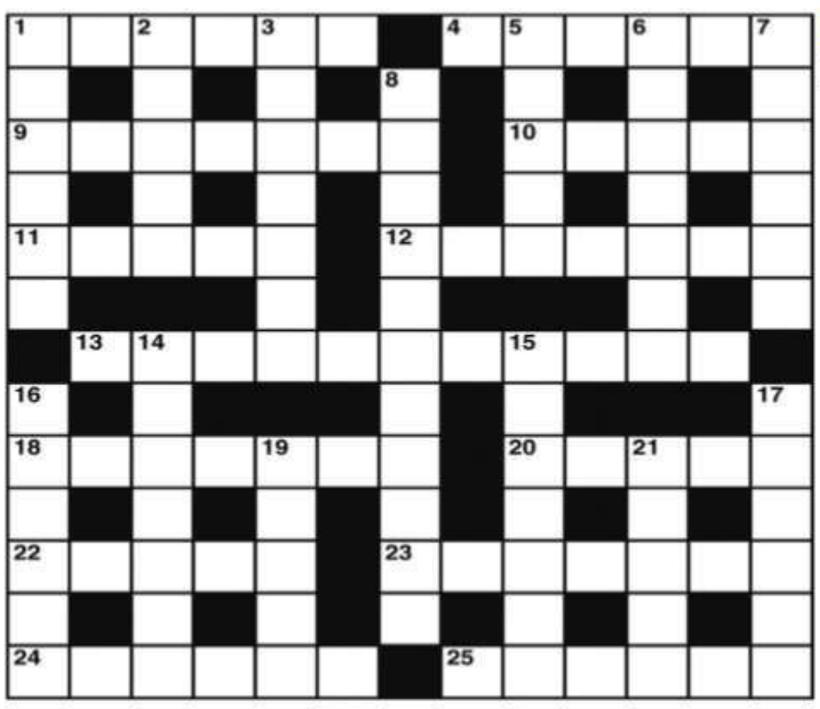
SUDOKU EASY

TEST YOUR NUMBER CRUNCHING SKILL WITH OUR UNIQUE PUZZLE

Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3X3 box accommodates the digits 1 to 9, without repeating any.



CROSS WORD

ACROSS

1 Such mistakes are holding a sailing man back (6)
4 Entry on the right (6)
9 Plays with the rate of exchange (7)
10 He could get riled if made to work (5)
11 Material that's light when worn (5)
12 A thousand in the back rank came into view (7)
13 One may be powerless without it (11)
18 Daily journalist (7)
20 Loopy sort of topic (5)
22 See cat jump off piano (5)
23 Utterly pompous (7)
24 It holds soup for electrical engineers in turn (6)
25 Repeatedly set about a fly (6)

DOWN

1 Ernest breaks records (6)
2 Oddly dry round central Greece - piping needed (5)
3 Large attic in disorder (7)
5 Breed fish we hear (5)
6 Jubilation of French before the match (7)
7 I am stuck in traffic - abusive words result (6)
8 Considerate about profanity (11)
14 Driver waiting for a chance to pass (7)
15 They have taken cover on hills (7)
16 On a winding road it shows skill (6)
17 It's dull, unimaginative and indigestible (6)
19 One French boy or girl (5)
21 Be considered noble (5)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Deposit, 5 Scour, 8 White feathers, 9 Lotto, 10 Sponsor, 11 Minute, 12 Scrape, 15 Lapland, 17 Leech, 19 Steering wheel, 20 Arson, 21 Sprites.

Down: 1 Dowel, 2 Printing press, 3 Step out, 4 Theist, 5 Set-to, 6 Overstatement, 7 Reserve, 11 Melissa, 13 Cold war, 14 Adonis, 16 Aaron, 18 Holes.

JUMBLE

UNSCRAMBLE THESE JUMBLES, ONE LETTER TO EACH SQUARE, TO FORM FOUR ORDINARY WORDS.

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

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DHNELA

OK. Time to see what she can do. Take her down to 600 meters.
Diving 600 meters. Aye, aye sir!
5/6
THE SUBMARINE WAS BRAND-NEW, AND THE CAPTAIN WAS ANXIOUS TO ---
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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: CHORD ELECT BARREL LOOSEN
Answer: The Barbie she wanted was expensive, so they hoped she'd settle for the — "DOLL-HER" STORE

4 auto drivers abduct migrants, enrol them at firm for commission

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Chennai

FOUR auto rickshaw drivers were arrested for allegedly 'kidnapping' five migrant workers from Bihar, diverting them from their intended workplace in Chennai and enrolling them at a different private company in exchange for a commission.

The suspects have been identified as Napoleon (35) of Pattinapakkam, Mahendran (38) of Thoraipakkam, and Mani (40) and Narayanamoorthy alias Kathi (31).

According to the Flower Bazaar police, one of the victims, Sathu Kumar (23), a Bihar native working at a manpower firm in Pattaravakkam run by Narendran (39) of Madhavaram, brought with him four men - Bhawan Kumar (23), Gulshan Manjhi (19), Rango Kumar (20) and Mukesh Kumar (22) - for work at the company where he has been working for the past six months.

The five hired an auto from Puratchi Thalaivar Dr MGR Chennai Central railway station to their working place at Pattaravakkam. But the driver, Napoleon, took them to Kilambakkam instead.

Using Sathu Kumar's phone, Napolean called Narendran and demanded ₹1,500 per head to drop the men at their workplace. Though Narendran agreed to pay, the auto driver took the five to Athipattu in Ambattur and allegedly enrolled them at another private company there, and collected a commission of ₹8,500 before fleeing.

The police said the other three auto drivers were following Napolean in another autorickshaw.

Acting on Narendran's complaint at Flower Bazaar police station, the officers traced the workers using Sathu Kumar's phone number and rescued them unhurt. The agent of the Ambattur firm is still at large. The police have started a search for him.

SAY NO TO DRUGS

Students of Christ Church Anglo-Indian Higher Secondary School form a human chain on Anna Salai in an anti-drug awareness campaign on Tuesday | ASHWIN PRASATH

No takers for ornamental fish centres

Sellers say Madhavaram & Kolathur centres have little to no footfall, lack adequate facilities

KEERTHANA CHRIS @ Chennai

TWO state government's ornamental fish markets in north Chennai, established at a combined cost of ₹55.5 crore over the last seven years, stand largely empty. Though the Kolathur Ornamental Fish Market and the Madhavaram fish mall together have room for 232 traders, barely 10-15 shops are open in both the facilities. As the rest sit shuttered, the complexes have little to no footfall through the day.

The four-acre Kolathur facility near the Padi flyover in Villivakkam built by the CMDA was inaugurated last October, cost ₹53 crore. Run by the fisheries department, it has 188 shops. The centre grew out of a road-widening project for Kolathur school road, meant to clear traffic from a stretch where around 150 ornamental fish stalls, some on allegedly encroached land, lined the road. Most continue to function out of the stretch, as the widening work is yet to begin.

What the building does have is outweighed by what it doesn't. With three storeys, it has no commercial lift, forcing sellers to haul goods up and down the stairs to the upper floors manually. In addition, there was no RO water, in a business where sellers say water quality is everything. "A few fish from my shop got infected with white spot disease, which is usually caused by unsuitable water," said a seller from one the dozen shops that are open there.

Sellers paid an advance of ₹70,000-₹80,000 before they even opened. Despite it, they don't want to occupy the shops and pay rent additionally when there are hardly any customers nor facilities. Caught in a loop, authorities said they are yet to develop facilities since the shops are still unoccupied. The rent has been fixed at ₹70 per square feet for the ground floor, ₹60/sq ft for the first floor and ₹50/sq ft, for the second. This would amount to ₹17,000 to ₹18,000 monthly for ground floor shops.

(Above) The new fish complex at Kolathu; (inset) the facilities at the Madhavaram fish complex | R RAVIKUMAR

The Madhavaram complex was built in 2019 for ₹2.5 crore-60% central funds, 40% state, under the National Agriculture Development Programme. It has 44 shops over two floors, run by the Tamil Nadu Dr J Jayalalithaa Fisheries University, the complex stands next to Aavin's dairy unit. Three shops were open when *TNIE* visited. The lake next door gives off a stench sellers blame on untreated wastewater from the Aavin factory.

Six years in, the facade is chipped and weathered and the ramp to the building is closed. An algae pond sits stagnant out front. Inside, dusty tanks dumped in corners, grimy ceilings,the ground floor has toilets for men and women, both cleaned by the watchman. The staircase had no railing.

Steel rods stick out of an unfinished upper floor that was supposed to hold 16 more shops. This was part of a plan the university's own website says would create 200 jobs. The "entertainment component" the site also promises doesn't exist.

"The visibility of the complex is again an issue because it does not stand on the main road but rather a narrow service road inside; this hinders our sales," said Kumar, one of the handful of sellers still hanging on. Kayalagam Food Mess is the only stall doing any real business but even its workers say they're losing money.

Speaking to *TNIE*, a fisheries department official said rental cost reductions are unlikely, as the land belongs to the HR&CE department, and that the shop rents were fixed only after considering the rental amount that the fisheries department needs to pay to the HR&CE, along with maintenance costs. He said, sellers asked for cargo lift, which will be considered after occupancy improves.

"Many traders are reluctant to shift because they fear there will be no business. Once more sellers begin occupying, the government will also be in a position to improve additional facilities," he said, adding RO-filtered metro water is supplied to suit varied fish species' needs. It cannot be demineralised completely. On the condition of Madhavaram fish mall, he said, the department will speak to TNJFU and check for possible renovation.

Kenyan flier tries to smuggle 700g cocaine in capsule form, held

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Chennai

THE Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI) at Chennai International Airport on Monday arrested a 35-year-old Kenyan woman for allegedly trying to smuggle cocaine after ingesting it in capsule form. Officials seized as many as 70 capsules of the drug, weighing a total of 700 grams, from her stomach.

The surveillance was conducted at the airport after receiving inputs that a foreign national would arrive on an Ethiopian Airlines flight from Addis Ababa carrying narcotics. The woman, who had travelled from Kenya on a tourist visa, was intercepted during passenger screening. As her responses during questioning were inconsistent, she was subjected to further examination.

Although no contraband was found in her baggage, an X-ray at the airport hospital allegedly revealed multiple capsules inside her stomach. With the assistance from a medical team, the officials recovered around 70 capsules from her body.

Examination confirmed they contained cocaine. The narcotics were seized and the woman was arrested under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act.

Two hitchhike ride, die after bike rams tree

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

TWO youth who hitchhiked ride on a two-wheeler died after the motorcycle crashed into a roadside tamarind tree near RK Pettai in Tiruvallur district on Tuesday morning.

The deceased were identified as S Madhan (20) and V Devaraj (18), both from Narasampettai village under Rajanagaram panchayat. The injured rider was identified as V Jegatheesan (23), Devaraj's elder brother.

The police said Devaraj was waiting to go to his private polytechnic college in RK Pettai, while Madhan was waiting for a bus to go to work. Jegatheesan, who was passing them by on his motorbike, offered them a lift.

The three were travelling towards RK Pettai when the motorcycle crashed into a roadside tamarind tree at a bend near Rajanagaram after the rider allegedly lost control of the vehicle. All three riders were thrown off the vehicle. Police said none of them was wearing a helmet at the time of the accident.

Madhan and Devaraj sustained grievous injuries and died on the spot, while Jegatheesan sustained injuries and was admitted to the hospital for treatment.

RK Pettai police recovered the bodies and sent them to the Tiruttani Government Hospital for post-mortem examination.

5 schoolgoers among six held for bike stunts in city

CHENNAI: Six people, including five school students and a college student, were arrested for allegedly driving dangerously and performing bike stunts on the Adyar and Besant Nagar roads in Chennai. Police said stringent action would be taken against them. Proceedings have also been initiated against the parents of the school students, while the college student's driving licence is likely to be cancelled.

The action follows videos on social media showing a group of youngsters riding motorcycles at high speed while dragging road barricades, posing a serious risk to themselves and other motorists.

While traffic police launched an inquiry, the law and order police analysed the videos to identify those involved. *ENS*

EXPRESS READ

Bank manager, firm MD convicted for loan fraud

Chennai: A CBI court in Chennai on Monday sentenced a former senior manager of the Central Bank of India and the managing director of a private company to seven years RI each in a housing loan fraud case. The convicts are Deepak V Menon, then senior manager of the Central Bank of India, Triplicane branch, and B Sivaganesan, chief MD of M/s Sree Sasthru Associates Kadanthetti Pvt. Ltd. The court also imposed fines of ₹65,000 and ₹1.17 lakh on Menon and Sivaganesan, respectively, while the company was fined ₹26,000. According to CBI, the case was registered in April 2009. The fraud allegedly caused a loss of over ₹5.29 crore to the bank. ENS

Four UP men get 6 yrs RI, ₹80K fine for burglary

Chennai: In less than six months since the crime was committed, an Alandur court on Tuesday sentenced four men from UP to six years RI and imposed a fine of ₹80,000 each for breaking into a foreign exchange office in Nandambakkam and stealing ₹25,000. The convicts are Rigu Amarsingh Chauhan (27), Jukendra Singh (19), Abhishek Singh (20) and Yogesh Kumar (32). Police said the four broke into the office run by Joseph Dominic (38) in Manapakkam on the night of January 7, this year. Using CCTV footage, the police traced the suspects to Surat in Gujarat, arrested them on January 12, recovered the stolen cash and seized three mobilephones. ENS

39-yr-old man gets lifer for murdering friend

Chennai: A 39-year-old man was sentenced to life for killing his friend over a financial loss incurred in gambling in Chennai. The VII Additional District and Sessions judge P Srikumar found the accused, P Jagadeesh of Choolai, guilty of charges under IPC section 302. The judge noted taking into account the age (29 years) of the accused at the time of occurrence of the offence, the case is not considered the rarest of rare, requiring death penalty. "As there is every possibility of reformation, the court is inclined to impose the sentence of life imprisonment with ₹1,000 fine," he said, and ordered authorities to provide compensation for the victim's mother. ENS

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Tender Notice No.: EL-TRD-W-2x25-EPC-PSI-R of Electrical TRD-NS-BCT. Existing Tender closing date and time on 10.07.2026 at 11:00 hrs. Modified date and time 27.07.2026 at 15:00 hrs. All other terms and conditions remain the same. 322
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Our client intends to purchase land of an extent of 11,556 sq.ft. (i.e. 4.80 grounds), bearing Plot Nos. 4 and 4A, comprised in old S. Nos. 10/1A1A part, and 10/1B, new S.No. 10/1A1A7 of Perungudi Village, Sholinganallur Taluk, Chennai District, together with building thereon admeasuring 11,388 sq.ft., situated at Plot Nos. 4 and 4A, First Main Road (previously First Cross Street), Nehru Nagar, Perungudi, Chennai 600 096, from its current owner namely M/s. Sundaram Home Finance Limited (formerly M/s. Sundaram BNP Paribas Home Finance Ltd.).
Any other entity or person(s) having any claim, right, title, or interest whatsoever over the abovementioned land, whether as an omitted legal heir of any of the predecessors-in-title of the said current owner and/or on any other basis whatsoever, are hereby called upon to make the same known in writing to the undersigned within 7 days from this date, failing which our client will proceed to purchase the said land, free of any encumbrance, or any adverse claim whatsoever.
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ADVOCATES
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Our client proposes to purchase the property being land of a total extent of 11 acres 16 cents consisting of

Survey No.	Extent (in cents)	Survey No.	Extent (in cents)
75/7	37	81/1	15
77	104	82	32
111/3	31	84/2	15
112/1B	12	84/3	14
112/2B	10	85/2B	20
112/2C	22+	86/1	21
112/3	7	88/2	15
12/5	116	88/4	15
113/2	26	88/6	20
115/2A2	144	88/7A	33
115/3	113	88/7B	38
116/2A	10	89/1	16
116/2D	11	93/4	6
117/5	14	94/1	51
118/3	36	94/4	21
48/2	20	46/6	18
48/4	8	66/3	6
48/6	19	97/6	20

situated at Old No. 84, New No. 96, Puduchery Village, Kundrathur Taluk, Kancheepuram District, from Navasakthi Townships Developers Private Limited [Company]. The said Company has authorized Thiruchendhur Murugar Properties Private Limited [Power Agent] to sell the above lands and receive the sale consideration.
They have assured that the above property is absolutely owned by the Company and the Power of Attorney in favour of the Agent is in force. They have further assured that the properties are free from all encumbrances, claims, notices, demands, charges, mortgages, arrears of tax, unpaid vendors' lien, prior agreement to sell, tenancy/lease, possessory or easementary rights or lis pendens. They have further assured that all the required internal approvals in compliance with the provisions of the Companies Act have been duly obtained for sale of the said property.
Any person having any claim, interest, right or demand pertaining to the said property may forward their claim with proof thereof to us within 14 days of publication of this notice failing which it shall be conclusively presumed that no such claim, interest, right or demand over the property exists. Our client will proceed to purchase the property, free from all encumbrances and will not be liable to answer any claim raised thereafter.
RANK ASSOCIATES, Advocates
'Anjana', 25, Bazullah Road, T. Nagar, Chennai 600 017.
admin@ranklaw.in
Date : 30.06.2026

PUBLIC NOTICE
Our client proposes to purchase the property being land of a total extent of 1 acre 33 cents consisting of:

Survey No.	Extent (in cents)	Survey No.	Extent (in cents)
76	79	88/3	15
114/1B	18	115/1B	8
88/1	13		

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The Owners have assured that the above property is absolutely owned by them and have further assured that the properties are free from all encumbrances, claims, notices, demands, charges, mortgages, arrears of tax, unpaid vendors' lien, prior agreement to sell, tenancy/lease, possessory or easementary rights or lis pendens. They have further assured that all the required internal approvals in compliance with the provisions of the Companies Act have been duly obtained for sale of the said property.
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NOTICE is hereby given that our Client intends to transact with the lands totally admeasuring 8.87 acres in the corresponding survey numbers at Ponneri-1 & Eliambedu - 2 village, Ponneri Taluk and Thiruvallur District, hereinafter referred to as the "Schedule Property" from its present owners followed by survey numbers and area in acres viz., 1.Ponneri-1 Village – Mr.Balaji (118/3A – 1.73 (as per patta 1.43), 119/1B – 0.42), Ms.Selvakumari & Ms.Kala (119/1A – 1.00), Mr.Muthu Kumar (124/7 -0.34, 124/8 – 0.34, 124/10 – 0.35), 4.Mr.Pandian (118/4 – 1.17, 119/4 – 0.45, 124/2 – 0.72, 124/6 – 0.30), Eliambedu - 2 Village - Mr.Pandian (164/1 – 1.05, 165/4 – 0.42, 165/7- 0.58).
Any person(s) or entities (including bank/societies/Financial Institutions/ corporate or otherwise), other than the owners above, having any right/ title/ interest of any kind whatsoever including mortgage/ charge/ claim/ encumbrance/ demand/pending litigation, objection, interest, benefit, estate, share over the Schedule Property whether by way of sale, transfer, assignment, agreement for sale, exchange, charge, encumbrance, tenancy, sub-tenancy, lease, sub-lease, license, mortgage (equitable or otherwise), inheritance, family arrangement/settlement, share, gift, devise, lien, maintenance, easement, trust, covenant, maintenance, or beneficial right / interest under any trust, right of prescription or pre-emption or under any agreement or other disposition or under any suit, decree, injunction order or attachment or award passed by any Court or Authority litigation, lis-pendens, decree or order of any adjudicating authority, exchange, partition, power of attorney, will, bequest, FSI consumption, development rights, partnership, family arrangement /settlement, possession, allotment or otherwise of any nature whatsoever (collectively, "Claims"), to or upon the Schedule Property must lodge their Claim/s with the undersigned, together with complete documentary evidence/ proof thereof, within 15 (fifteen) days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which, such rights, if any, would be considered as abandoned/waived & it will be presumed that no person(s) or entities other than the owners or their successors/assignees mentioned above, has any right / title / Claim and/or interest in/to the Schedule Property and that our client is free to transact the same.
For and on behalf of our clients
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I, Sangeetha Ramalingam, (Old name) D.O.B. 26/08/1984, Residing at A5/315, New No. 2, 121st Street, 2nd Main Road, Muthamizh Nagar,Kodungaiyur, Chennai 600118, Tamil Nadu. shall henceforth be known as Sangeetha Jothi Murugan (New name)
-Sangeetha Ramalingam (Old name)

NAME CHANGE
My minor son NANDHAN (Old Given Name), having no surname, Date of Birth: 18/08/2012, residing at Door No. 106, Horizon Residences, 16/1, Arunachalam Road, Saligramam, Chennai – 600093, shall henceforth be known as NANDHAN (New Given Name) SANTHOSH (New Surname).
SANTTHOSH GURU K. S
Father of NANDHAN SANTHOSH

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PIRIYAN SELVAM P
Panneer Selvam M (Father)
Vellore, 12th June 2026

CHANGE OF NAME
MY DAUGHTER,
P EVANGELINE EZHIL,
born on 1st December 2022, (District of Birth: Vellore), residing at No. 68, Dr. Ambedkar Street, Chinnathottalam, Gudiyatham, Vellore-635 813, shall henceforth be known as
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Vellore, 15th June 2026

CHANGE OF NAME
MY DAUGHTER,
EMIZHINE EZHIL P,
born on 26th October 2024, (District of Birth: Tirupathur), residing at No. 68, Dr. Ambedkar Street, Chinnathottalam, Gudiyatham, Vellore-635 813, shall henceforth be known as
TINUSHA P
Panneer Selvam M (Father)
Vellore, 15th June 2026

ANTI-DRUG CAMPAIGN

We The Leaders founder K Annamalai on Tuesday said he will launch an anti-drug campaign in July. He will participate in public events in Pollachi on July 12 and Tiruchendur on July 26, marking his first public appearances since launching the movement

HC confirms death sentence of man for sexually assaulting 3 minor girls

Says sparing the life of perpetrator would be an act of misplaced mercy, dismisses appeal

JEGADEESWARI PANDIAN
@Madurai

SENDING a stern warning that the law would offer no sanctuary to persons committing sexual crimes against children, the Madurai Bench of Madras High Court on Tuesday confirmed the capital punishment imposed on a 41-year-old man three months ago for the aggravated penetrative sexual assault of three minor girl children in Tirunelveli in 2023.

"The accused, who has destroyed the soul and dignity of three children, is not fit to live in the society and for the heinous crime committed by him, he has to necessarily lose his life," a bench of justices N Anand Venkatesh and KK Ramakrishnan held. By weaponising fear, wielding threats of death, and forcing these children to witness the violation of one another, he did not just break the law, but he extinguished the light of their childhood and left in its place a lifetime of haunting shadows, they added. "To spare the life of a perpetrator who showed such cold-blooded, protracted cruelty would be an act of misplaced mercy, rendering the law a silent spectator to the destruction of the innocent. It would send a devastating message to the community: that the soul of a child is cheap, and that a monster may trade the lifelong peace of his victims for the comfort of a prison cell," they further observed. The judges made the observations while dismissing an appeal filed by T Anandhasekar, challenging the conviction and death sentence imposed on him by a Special Court in Tirunelveli on March 9, 2026, for the sexual assault of three minor children aged six, seven and eight, respectively.

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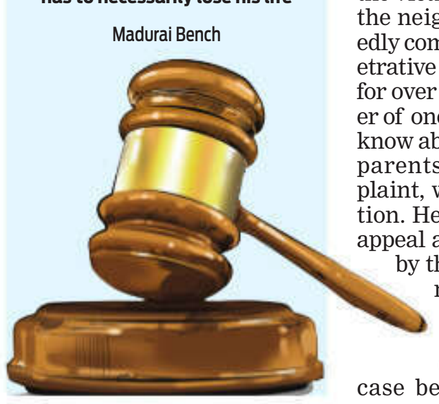

According to the prosecution, Anandhasekar, who was a married daily wage worker with children of his own, had lured the victims, who used to play in the neighborhood, and repeatedly committed aggravated penetrative sexual assault on them for over a year. The grandmother of one of the victims came to know about this and alerted the parents, who lodged a complaint, which led to his conviction. Hearing Anandhasekar's appeal and the reference made by the trial court for confirmation of the death penalty, the judges were satisfied that the prosecution had proved the case beyond any reasonable doubt. They further observed that cases of this nature deserve more stringent punishment than cases involving murder, dacoity, etc. Holding that the convict forfeited his right to walk among humanity, the judges upheld the conviction and punishment and directed the Registry to furnish a copy of the judgement to Anandhasekar, who is lodged in Palayamkottai Central Prison, free of cost, with further directions to the jail authorities to ensure he gets legal assistance if he preferred to file an appeal against the order. They also directed the Registry to take necessary steps to redact the names of the victim girls from all the trial court records. It could be recalled that previously in 2022, a division bench headed by Justice S Vaidyanathan had similarly confirmed the death penalty imposed on a 26-year-old man Samivel alias Raja for the brutal sexual assault and murder of a seven-year-old girl in Pudukkottai in 2020. However, his execution was stayed by the Supreme Court the same year, and the matter is still pending.

TVK banks on AIADMK exodus for civic polls; 2 ex-mins to join party tomorrow

PRABHAKAR TAMILARASU
@ Chennai

Former AIADMK MLA Maragatham Kumaravel, who joined TVK, organised a massive event on June 14 in Maduranthakam to induct thousands of party workers | EXPRESS

TVK came to power promising a change in Tamil Nadu politics, projecting itself as a clean break from the Dravidian parties that have dominated the state's politics for over five decades. But barely two months into office, Chief Minister C Joseph Vijay's party is increasingly drawing its strength from the same Dravidian parties it promised to replace.

On Thursday, former ministers C Vijayabaskar and MR Vijayabaskar, who recently resigned as MLAs, will become the latest batch of AIADMK defectors to join the TVK. While the induction was initially planned at the TVK headquarters in Panaiyur, the venue was shifted after the two leaders informed that they would be accompanied by thousands of supporters, sources said. "Subsequently, we decided to hold the event at a private hotel in Mamallapuram," a TVK functionary told *TNIE*.

This has once again brought into focus a key contradiction confronting the two-year-old party. As more senior AIADMK leaders and their supporters join TVK, questions are being raised over whether the party can continue to call itself as an agent of political change while relying on leaders and cadres from the traditional Dravidian parties to build its organisation.

Senior AIADMK leader Udumalai K Radhakrishnan, who recently joined TVK along with MC Sampath and Kadambur C Raju, said the decision in his region was largely driven by cadre sentiment. "Nearly 90% of functionaries from areas such as Valparai, Pollachi, Udumalpet, Palladam, Kangeyam and Tiruppur wanted to move together. In Pollachi alone, around 40 office-bearers joined TVK. We could not go to the DMK. Everyone felt only TVK was acceptable," he told *TNIE*. The exodus was not confined to western Tamil Nadu.

TVK was not merely attracting individual leaders but was also inheriting parts of the AIADMK's organisational network. Most of the defectors cited dissatisfaction with AIADMK general secretary Edappadi K Palaniswami's leadership and the need to protect their self-respect as the reasons for leaving the party.

SHOW OF STRENGTH

Former ministers MR Vijayabaskar and C Vijayabaskar, who recently quit MLA posts, will join the TVK along with thousands of their supporters at an event to be held in a private hotel in Mamallapuram on Thursday, sources said

Asked if they are eyeing an electoral opportunity, most of the former ministers said that it would not be appropriate for them to contest local body elections after having served as ministers. "TVK is relatively young compared to the traditional parties. We will function like school headmasters and just guide them in politics," a former minister said.

Political analyst Arunkumar said TVK's move to bring in more AIADMK people into its fold was largely aimed at the upcoming local body polls. "The party won the Assembly election on a wave of popular support. But winning an election and sustaining an organisation are two different things. Local body elections require booth agents, ward-level organisers and district functionaries. Building such a structure takes years. Experienced AIADMK cadres help bridge that gap almost overnight," he said.

"The AIADMK cadre has historically gravitated towards a strong personality. Today, Vijay occupies that space," he added. Responding to criticism over MLAs resigning and joining TVK, party spokesperson Felix Gerald said the party has acted within the constitutional framework.

EXPRESS READ

Tasmac likely to extend licences of bars attached to outlets

Chennai: The Tamil Nadu State Marketing Corporation (Tasmac) is likely to extend the licences of around 2,400 bars attached to its retail liquor outlets across the state, with the current extended licence period ending on Tuesday. According to sources, the proposal is expected to be discussed at the Tasmac board meeting scheduled for Thursday, where a final decision is likely to be taken. A senior official said the government is planning to revise the tender conditions and operational norms for bars attached to Tasmac outlets. "The board meeting is expected to discuss the issue," the official said. The government is also considering a special committee to frame guidelines for regulating functioning of bars attached to Tasmac outlets. ENS

Venkataraman is new fire and rescue services chief

Chennai: The Tamil Nadu Government on Tuesday posted G Venkataraman as the successor to Seema Agrawal who is retiring on Tuesday. Venkataraman who is the current Director General of Police (DGP), Civil Supplies CID, will be the new DGP/Director of the Tamil Nadu Fire and Rescue Services TNFRS. Seema Agrawal had been serving as the DGP/Director of the TNFRS since April 2025. Two weeks ago, following the resignation of former DGP Shankar Jiwal as Director of Fire Commission, she was also given full additional charge of that post. A farewell parade in honour of Agrawal was held at Rajarathinam Stadium in Egmore on Saturday. ENS

BJP demands white paper on Aavin, CPI wants supply restored

Chennai: Tamil Nadu BJP president Nainar Nagenthran on Tuesday demanded that the state government release a white paper on Aavin, alleging that the state-run dairy cooperative was facing serious operational issues and accusing the government of compromising on milk quality and distribution. Citing reports of nearly 30% reduction in milk supply across Tamil Nadu and reports that a majority of the milk procured in 10 districts in May failed to meet quality standards, Nagenthran said the government owed an explanation to the public. The CPI has urged the government to restore Aavin milk supply in Chennai and its suburbs, saying reducing supply could erode the cooperative's market share. ENS

AIADMK, DMK still trying to form govt, says Nirmal Kumar

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Chennai

MINISTER CTR Nirmal Kumar on Tuesday said the DMK and the AIADMK are continuing their covert attempts to form a government with the support of the BJP. He alleged that such efforts, that had begun immediately after the Assembly election results, are still under way. Addressing reporters at the secretariat, Nirmal Kumar claimed that the DMK and the AIADMK had sought BJP's backing to prevent the TVK from forming the government and to stop Chief Minister C Joseph Vijay from assuming office.

He said recent remarks by IUML state chief Kader Mohideen alleging attempts by the two Dravidian parties to form the government vindicated the TVK's stand. Escalating his attack, the minister alleged that DMK president MK Stalin and AIADMK general secretary Edappadi K Palaniswami are attempting to come together to "protect their families and assets". Responding to a question on the recent resignations of AIADMK MLAs and senior leaders, Nirmal Kumar alleged that the exodus was a fallout of Palaniswami's alleged attempt to align with the DMK. Recalling that former chief ministers MG Ramachandran and J Jayalalithaa had described the DMK as an "evil force", he questioned how AIADMK leaders and cadre who had worked under them could accept any understanding with the DMK.

On reports that his recent meeting with Governor Rajendra Arlekar was to seek sanction for prosecuting certain former ministers, Nirmal Kumar said it was just a courtesy call. He maintained that there had been no attempt to pressure the governor as the relevant files had already been submitted to Lok Bhavan.

'Disgruntled' Velumani likely to quit party post

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Coimbatore

JUSTIFYING his decision to not accept the AIADMK deputy general secretary post, former minister SP Velumani asked how he could accept the post when 30 district secretaries who accompanied him were denied party postings. A video of his speech on Sunday, addressing his supporters, went viral on social media on Tuesday.

Sources said that he is likely to resign from the party deputy general secretary post on Wednesday. He will arrive in Chennai and submit his resignation, sources said.

"I am not ready to abandon those who place their trust in me and accompany me. How can I accept the deputy general secretary post when 30 district secretaries who came with me were denied party posts? People like KC Veeramani, P Thangamani, C Vijayabakar and C Ve Shanmugam are key persons who helped develop the party. Yet, they were not given party posts," Velumani can be heard saying in the video.

Velumani is likely to take part in meet convened by the TVK | EXPRESS

"How can I accept the AIADMK joining hands with the DMK? We will not accept those who go to the DMK," he further said.

The meeting was reportedly held without banners or portraits of former chief ministers MG Ramachandran, J Jayalalithaa and Palaniswami. However, Velumani has dismissed since these claims.

Despite being appointed deputy general secretary, Velumani did not meet Palaniswami immediately after the organisational appointments were announced.

Speaking to reporters at the Coimbatore International Airport on Tuesday, before leaving for Chennai, Velumani declined to elaborate on the purpose of his visit or whether he too would join the TVK.

Sources said his visit comes ahead of the AIADMK women's wing meeting scheduled to be held in the presence of Palaniswami. Sources say Velumani may skip the meeting and could instead take part in the alliance partners' meeting convened by the TVK.

CM honours collectors and police officers with awards

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

CHIEF Minister C Joseph Vijay concluded the two-day conference of collectors, police and forest officers on Tuesday by presenting awards to the IAS, IPS and IFS officers for their performance in various categories.

Former Dindigul Collector MN Poongodi, former Tiruvallur Collector T Prabhushankar and former Pudukkottai Collector IS Mercy Ramya were given Green Awards (2024-25) for environmental protection. Awards for the effective implementation of the Tamil Official Language Scheme (2023) were presented to former Sivaganga Collector Asha Ajith and former Kanniyakumari Collector PN Sreedhar. Best Collector Award (2025-26) was presented to former Kanniyakumari Collector R Alagumeena. The award in the same category for police officers went to former Avadi Police Commissioner K Sankar. Awards for crime control were presented to former Villupuram SP VV Sai Praneeth, former Ariyalur SP Viswesh Balasubramaniam, former Krishnagiri SP P Thangadurai and Kanniyakumari SP R Stalin.

Director Sudha Kongara moves court over ₹8.9 cr unpaid fee for Parasakthi

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Chennai

FILM director and screenwriter Sudha Kongara on Tuesday approached the Madras High Court seeking to restrain the producers of Sivakarthikeyan-starrer Parasakthi from screening, broadcasting, downloading or releasing the film on OTT and other digital platforms over an alleged dispute regarding unpaid remuneration. She also sought to restrain the theatrical and OTT release of Idhayam Murali, another film produced by Dawn Pictures, which is scheduled to hit screens on July 10. Justice K Kumaresh Babu restrained the respondent from satellite release of Parasakthi till July 8 and adjourned the matters to the same date.

Sudha Kongara and her firm, Undertow Professional Services Private Limited, filed the petitions alleging that Dawn Pictures had failed to pay a substantial portion of the remuneration agreed upon for her work on Parasakthi. She said an agreement was reached with Dawn Pictures on July 2, 2024 for Parasakthi for a consideration of ₹17.60 crore; of which ₹8.39 crore is yet to be paid. She prayed for a direction to the respondent to maintain and preserve complete accounts of all revenues generated from all sources and file a statement of such accounts before the court on the next date of hearing.

HC seeks govt's response on petition challenging temple lease rent rules

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Chennai

THE Madras High Court has directed the state government and the HR&CE department to file a counter-affidavit to a public interest litigation petition challenging an amendment made to the rules governing fixation of lease rent for temple properties based on guideline value.The first bench of Chief Justice Sushrut Arvind Dharmadhikari and Justice G Arul Murugan on Tuesday issued notice to the respondents and granted them four weeks to file their response.

The PIL was filed by TR Ramesh, president of Indic Collective Trust, challenging two G.Os issued by the department of Tourism, Culture and Religious Endowments department amending the provisions relating to fixation of the lease rent for immovable properties of temples. The petitioner stated the government omitted Rule 17 from the existing Religious Institutions (Lease of Immovable Property) Rules, 1963 while simultaneously introducing the 2026 rules without superseding the 1963 rules. The coexistence of two sets of rules governing the same subject has resulted in inconsistencies and ambiguities in the administration of temple properties, the petition said.

He said the amendment provides for taking into account the "guideline value" for fixation of lease rent instead of the "market value" provided for under section 34-A of the TN HR&CE Act, 1959 and restricting the market value to the guidelines undermines the Act's mandate of fair rent for institutions. The petitioner stated that if the amended rules are implemented it will cause huge, monumental revenue loss to the temples.

Case against 3 HR&CE staff quashed

Chennai: The Madras High Court has quashed the case against three employees of the HR&CE department over alleged misappropriation of ₹2.96 lakh temple funds in Kanniyakumari for want of evidence. Justice GK Ilanthiraiyan passed the orders on the petitions filed by S Rameshkumar, N Kuttalam and A Mohana Kumar who were charged under Prevention of Corruption Act and relevant sections of IPC for misappropriating the funds by hatching a criminal conspiracy, creating fake documents and fabricating bills. Concurring with the submissions of senior counsel Hasan Mohammed Jinnah appearing for the petitioners, the judge said in a recent order, "There is absolutely no oral or documentary evidence against the petitioners in order to substantiate the charges." ENS

Real-time data sharing must for RE plants

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

WITH less than 10% of Tamil Nadu's over 12,000 wind and solar power producers currently sharing real-time generation data with the State Load Despatch Centre (SLDC), Electricity Minister CTR Nirmal Kumar on Tuesday directed all renewable energy generators to immediately comply with the mandate.

Renewable energy producers that fail to establish the communication facility within 15 days of receiving the notice will face a 10% deduction in energy accounting and deviation settlement in the first stage.

If the violation continues beyond 30 days, the entire power generated by such stations will be excluded from energy accounting and settlement. Continued non-compliance beyond 45 days will prompt the SLDC to initiate action under the provisions of the Central Electricity Authority (CEA) regulations and report, the minister warned.

RETHINK ON TIES WITH NDA

The South Indian Forward Bloc will decide on continuing with the NDA soon, stated founder-president K C Thirumaran on Tuesday. "We are dissatisfied with the leadership of the BJP high command. We will declare our stance on continuing with the NDA soon," Thirumaran said

Man stabs son to death during drunken brawl

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Chennai

A 24-year-old tattoo artist was allegedly stabbed to death by his father following a drunken quarrel at their house in Kancheepuram district on Monday night.

The deceased has been identified as E Rupesh. His father Elumalai (50), who is a flower garland maker from Arapperumselvi Street in Kancheepuram, sustained injuries in the incident and is undergoing treatment at the Kancheepuram District Government Hospital under police guard.

The police said the father and son were allegedly under the influence of alcohol when a quarrel broke out between them. During the altercation, Rupesh ran inside the house, picked up a pair of scissors and attacked his father, who was standing outside. Elumalai snatched the scissors from his son and stabbed him multiple times, including in the neck.

The neighbours rushed the duo to the Kancheepuram GH. However, doctors declared Rupesh dead on arrival, while Elumalai was admitted with injuries.

Upon being alerted, Sivakanchi police arrested Elumalai and sent Rupesh's body for post-mortem. A case has been registered against him under Section 103 of the BNS, and further investigation is under way.

Farmers upbeat as state to get normal rain this month

Met officials say western dists may see above-normal rainfall in July

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Chennai

A woman walks in the rain at MGR Chennai Central railway terminus | ASHWIN PRASATH

MOST parts of Tamil Nadu are likely to receive normal rain in July, offering favourable conditions for agriculture, water resources and reservoir inflows, even as the state is expected to experience above-normal daytime and night-time temperatures, according to the India Meteorological Department's (IMD) monthly outlook.

The Regional Meteorological Centre (RMC), Chennai, said parts of the Western Ghats and adjoining western districts have a higher probability of receiving above-normal rainfall, while a few isolated pockets may witness below-normal rainfall during the month. The outlook also cautioned localised heavy rains are likely over the Western Ghats and neighbouring districts.

The rain forecast is expected to benefit the ongoing agricultural season and improve inflows into reservoirs across the state.

However, IMD clarified the monthly outlook is probabilistic in nature, indicating only the most likely rainfall category, and should not be interpreted as the actual rainfall amount or as district-specific forecast.

Alongside favourable rain prospects, the weather agency has forecast above-normal maximum and minimum temperatures across most parts of Tamil Nadu during July. Interior districts are likely to experience relatively warmer daytime conditions, while coastal areas may see slightly moderated temperatures because of the sea breeze.

Nevertheless, temperatures across the state are expected to remain above climatological normals.

Night-time temperatures are also expected to remain above normal, resulting in warm and humid conditions, particularly along the coast. Although active spells of the southwest monsoon may bring temporary relief, warm and humid weather is likely to persist over much of the state through the month.

The IMD has advised farmers, water resource managers, disaster management authorities and the public to rely on district-level weather forecasts, agrometeorological advisories and official weather warnings for planning and preparedness. It also urged people to stay hydrated, avoid prolonged exposure to direct sunlight during peak afternoon hours, and take special precautions for children, the elderly, outdoor workers and other vulnerable groups as above-normal temperatures continue through July.

DMK FILES

Baalu, Annamalai withdraw cases

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Chennai

THE XVII Metropolitan Magistrate Court, Saidapet, on Tuesday recorded the withdrawal of criminal defamation cases filed by DMK treasurer and Sriperumbudur MP T R Baalu, and former state BJP president K Annamalai against each other, bringing to a close a legal battle that began over the BJP leader's DMK Files allegations and later extended to statements made during court proceedings.

K Annamalai

TR Baalu

Baalu had filed a criminal defamation complaint in May 2023 after Annamalai, the then state BJP president, released DMK Files at a press conference alleging the senior DMK leader had amassed wealth through corrupt means. Claiming the allegations were false, baseless and intended to tarnish his reputation, Baalu sought prosecution of Annamalai for criminal defamation.

During the trial in that case, Annamalai filed a criminal defamation complaint in 2026, alleging Baalu had made defamatory remarks against him during cross-examination before the Saidapet court. He contended the statements, relating to his personal life and finances, were unconnected to the subject matter of the trial.

The court, on Tuesday, recorded the withdrawal of Baalu's complaint, while Annamalai informed the court he was not pressing his complaint, bringing both proceedings to an end. No reason for the withdrawal or for not pressing the complaint were stated before the court.

However, in a statement issued later in the day, Annamalai reiterated he stood by all the remarks he had made against Baalu and the previous DMK government. He maintained Baalu had voluntarily withdrawn the ₹100-crore defamation suit filed against him over the BJP's 'DMK Files' campaign, asserting the decision to pursue or withdraw the case rested with Baalu.

Annamalai also said he had argued his own case during the trial and noted he had separately initiated proceedings against the DMK leader over remarks allegedly made in court.

DMK seeks FIR against CM's advisors

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Chennai

THE DMK on Tuesday filed a petition with the DGP seeking FIR against Chief Minister C Joseph Vijay's advisors John Arockiasamy and Vishnu Reddy for alleged breach of the Official Secrets Act, 1923, by attending cabinet meetings and key meetings.

In the complaint on Tuesday, DMK organisational secretary RS Bharathi alleged that the two residents of Andhra Pradesh had regularly attended cabinet meetings, review meetings and other high-level government deliberations, and had been allotted office chambers adjoining the CM's office. He sought cognisance of offences under the Official Secrets Act, the BNS and the BNSS.

EXPRESS READ

VB-G RAM G comes into effect in state today

Chennai: The state government has notified that the Viksit Bharat - Guarantee for Rozgar and Ajeevika Mission (Gramin) (VB-G RAM G) Scheme comes into force from Wednesday, according to a government order issued by the rural development and panchayat raj department on June 29. The scheme replaces the earlier Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA).

Left parties to skip TVK meet, say they're not allies

S KUMARESAN @ Chennai

THE CPI and the CPM have decided to stay away from the meeting convened by the Tamilaga Vettri Kazhagam (TVK) on Wednesday, saying they are not part of the TVK-led alliance in Tamil Nadu. At the same time, leaders of both the CPI and CPM are scheduled to pay a courtesy call to Chief Minister C Joseph Vijay at the secretariat at 11 am on Wednesday.

According to Left leaders, they will make it clear during the meeting that their decision to skip the alliance meeting should not be seen as opposition to the government. They will also submit a memorandum seeking action on issues concerning workers, farmers and other sections of society.

Former CPM state secretary K Balakrishnan said the party's stand was clear. "The CPM is not part of the TVK-led alliance. The meeting has been called for alliance parties and, therefore, it is not possible for us to attend it," he told *TNIE*.

Balakrishnan said the Left parties are firm on their stand, to function independently while continuing to support the TVK government from outside. "We are not part of the government or its Cabinet. Our support to the government will continue, but we cannot attend a meeting meant for alliance partners," he added.

CPI state secretary M Veerapandian also expressed the same view. "We are not members of the TVK-led alliance. So, it is not appropriate for us to take part in a meeting meant only for their alliance parties," he told *TNIE*.

The Left parties said they would continue to extend issue-based support to the government while maintaining their independent political identity.

Panel formed to probe into plaints of five med colleges collecting excess fee

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Chennai

THE Directorate of Medical Education and Research has formed a committee to conduct inquiry against five private medical colleges after complaints were raised to the Chief Minister's Special Cell and the Directorate of Medical Education and Research that they have charged an excess fee than that fixed by the government formed committee for undergraduate medical courses.

Dr R Suganthy Rajakumari, director of Medical Education and Research, said a five-member committee has been formed under the deans of government medical colleges. The committee will inquire and submit the report within a week. Based onit , the government will decide on action, sources said.

FEE STRUCTURE

The annual fees for MBBS in government colleges have been fixed at ₹18,073. For government seats in self-financing medical colleges, it is fixed at ₹4.35 lakh to ₹5.40 lakh for MBBS

The government fee committee fixes the fee for MBBS and BDS courses in Tamil Nadu's medical colleges. Accordingly, the fees for MBBS in government medical colleges have been fixed at ₹18,073 per year, and for BDS courses at ₹16,073. For government seats in self-financing medical colleges, it is fixed at ₹4.35 lakh to ₹5.40 lakh for MBBS, and for BDS it is fixed at ₹2.50 lakh.

For management quota seats in private colleges, they are allowed to charge ₹15 lakh to ₹16.2 lakh per annum and for NRI seats it is allowed to charge ₹27 lakh to ₹30 lakh. For BDS courses under administrative quota, ₹6 lakh can be charged and for NRI quota, ₹9 lakh can be charged. Apart from this, additional fees like transport fee must be published online.

MATCH POINT

Players in action during the opening day of the inter-school hockey tournament for the Hindusthan Trophy, organised by the Coimbatore District Hockey Association (CDHA), at the Coimbatore Corporation Hockey Turf Ground in Coimbatore on Tuesday. The tournament will conclude on July 5 | S SENBAGAPANDIYAN

Nod to increase intern intake to 1,120

Chennai: The National Medical Commission gave permission to the state health department to increase the intern intake from existing 384 to 1,120 for foreign medical graduates who must undergo compulsory rotational medical training (CRMI) after clearing the foreign medical graduates examination in India. This was a long pending demand of the students. ENS

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Inspection of Property Date & Time : 14.07.2026 between 11.00 A.M. & 4.00 P.M.

EMD amount of 10% of the Reserve Price is to be deposited in E-Wallet of **M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (baanknet)** portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan on or **before 15.07.2026 till 5.00 PM.**

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in **Canara Bank's website (www.canarabank.com)** or may **Contact Canara Bank Asset Recovery Management Branch I, (Ph. No. 044 - 2849 6339 / 2849 6900) E-mail: cb2361@canarabank.com** during office hours on any working day. (or) **The service provider baanknet (M/s PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd), (Contact No. 7046612345/ 6354910172/ 8291220220/ 9892219848/ 8160205051, Email:support.baanknet@psballiance.com/ support.baanknet@procure247.com).**

Portal of E-Auction: **https://baanknet.com**

Date : 30.06.2026 | AUTHORISED OFFICER,
Place : Chennai | CANARA BANK

HDB Financial Services Ltd.
Registered Office: Radhika, 2nd Floor, Law Garden Road, Navrangpura, Ahamedabad-09.
Branch Office:- Old No64, New No84, MNO Complex, 1st Floor, HDBTowers, Greams Road, Thousand Lights, Chennai-600006-Tamil Nadu.

Demand notice under Sec 13(2) SARFAESI ACT 2002

You the below mentioned applicant and co-applicants availed a loan facility by creating security interest in favour of our company, As per the records of the company, there are irregularities observed of the repayment of the loan amount due to the mentioned irregularities of the loan accounts stands as NON PERFORMING ASSET in the company's book of accounts and pertinent to mentioned out here in the event of the multiple defaults in the repayment of the funded amount, The company intimated all of you on the discontinuation of the agreement through the loan recall notice issued. However all of you continued defaulting the repayment of the funded amount without taking any efforts towards the closure of the loan account. for the recovery of the outstanding dues, issued Demand notice 13(2) of the SARFAESI act 2002.The contents of which are being published herewith as per 13(2) of the act R/w 3(1) of the security interest enforcement rules 2002,by way of alternative service upon the Applicants & Co-Applicants since notice not served. Details of the Applicant/ Co-Applicants /Guarantor outstanding dues Secured properties are as under:

Name of the applicant /Co applicants: 1. GNS Motors All Car Service Centre, No 342 Neelikuppam Road Perumattu Nallur Nellikuppam Road Guduvanchery- 603202 Chennai-600053 Tamil Nadu.And Also,No 57 Mariyamman Koil Street Perumattunallur Guduvanchery Guduvancheri-603202. **2. Gayathri P,** No 57 Mariyamman Koil Street Perumattunallur Guduvancherry Chengalpattu - 603202 Chennai-600053 Tamil Nadu. **3. Sathishkumar N,** No 57 Mariyamman Koil Street Perumattunallur Guduvanchery - 603202 Chengalpattu Chennai-600053 Tamil Nadu. **Loan Accounts Nos. 72151308, Demand notice dated 15.06.2026, NPA dated on 02.06.2026 Outstanding dues Rs.40,05,076.80/- (Rupees Forty Lakhs Five Thousand Seventy Six and Paise Eighty Only) as of 10.06.2026** and future contractual interest till actual realization together with incidental expenses, cost and charges etc.

Details of the secured property: Schedule Of The Securities I: All that piece and parcel of land with Building, land measuring an extent of 644 Sqft and 290 Sqft of pathway totally 934 Sqft together with building, Old Survey No.41/1D, New Survey No.41/1A1A1, Patta No.5704, as per Patta New Sub Division Survey No.41/55, situated at Perumattunallur Village, Vandalur Taluk, Chengalpattu District, being BOUNDED ON THE: North by: Plot belongs to Mr.Sugumar South by: 5 feet and 12 feet common pathway links to Mariyamman Koil Street, East by: Mr.Sathishkumar's Plot in Survey No.41/1D1A1 Part West by: Mr.S.Ravi and Esthar mary Plot in Survey No.41/1D1A1 Part. MEASURING ON THE: North: 14 Feet South: 14Feet East: 47 Feet West: 45 Feet In all admeasuring 934 Sq.ft., together with building thereon Situated at within the Sub-Registration District of Joint II Chengalpattu and Registration District of Chengalpattu. **Item No.2:** All that piece and parcel of land with Building, land measuring an extent of 873 Sqft out of Acre 0.30 cents or 13080 Sqft together with building, Old Survey No.41/1D, New Survey No.41/1A1A1, Patta No.3963, as per Patta New Sub Division Survey No.41/1D2, situated at Perumattunallur Village, Vandalur Taluk, Chengalpattu District, being Bounded on the: **North by:** Plot belongs to Mr.Sugumar **South by:** 12 feet common pathway links to Mariyamman Koil Street, **East by:** Plot belongs to Sundaramoorthy Mudaliar **West by:** My Remaining land MEASURING ON THE: North: 18 Feet South: 18 Feet East: 50 Feet West: 47 Feet In all admeasuring 873 Sq.ft., together with building thereon Situated at within the Sub-Registration District of Joint II Chengalpattu and Registration District of Chengalpattu.

Therefore the company calls upon to discharge in full your liabilities stated here in above within 60 days from the date of this notice. Your outstanding liability owing to the company as per the contractual rate on the aforesaid amount together with incidental expenses , cost , charges, Borrowers attention is invited to provisions of sub section 8 of the sec 13 Act.in respect of time available to redeem the secured Assets , Any noncomplaince of Sec 13(13)of the said act is an offence punishable under section 29 of the Act you shall not transfer by sale ,lease or otherwise the said security property detailed in schedule above said of his notice without obtaining written consent of the company.

Dated : 01.07.2026 | Sd/- Authorised officer
Place : Chennai | For HDB FINANCIAL SERVICES LIMITED

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank | Asset Recovery Management Branch-I
No. 524, 8th Floor, Canara Towers, Anna Salai, Teynampet, Chennai-600018 Tel.No.2849 6339 / 6900
E-MAIL:cb2361@canarabank.com
Website: www.canarabank.com

E-Auction Sale Notice

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrowers and Guarantors that the below described immovable property mortgaged / charged to the Secured Creditor, the **constructive possession** of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Kellys Branch** of the Canara Bank, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** on **04/08/2026, (Time 10:30A.M. to 11:30 A.M)** for recovery of **Rs.3,52,44,915.93/- (Rupees Three Crores Fifty Two Lakhs Forty Four Thousand Nine Hundred Fifteen and paise Ninety Three only)** due as on **31/05/2026** with further interest and other incidental charges thereto incurred by the Bank to the **Asset Recovery Management Branch I** of Canara Bank from **M/s.A.M.I. Leathers Represented by its Proprietor Mr.A.Mohammed Ismail,** No.13B, Kattur Sadayappan Street, Periamet, Chennai - 600 003, **Mr.A.Mohammed Ismail, S/o. Mr.P. Abdul Khader,** No.37B, Arasamaram 1st Street, Begambur, Dindigul - 624004.

Description of the Property : (CERSAI ID: 200012504880) (Property in the name of Mr.A.Mohammed Ismail, vide Doc.No.7024/2014): In Dindigul District, Dindigul Joint II Sub Registrar Office, Dindigul Taluk, Thottanuthu Village, the land measuring **1.44 acres** in S.No.155/1A, **2.88 acres** in S.No.155/1B, **2.88 acres** in S.No.154/1, **50 Cents** in S.No.154/2, **1.87 acres** in S.No.155/2, **32 Cents** in S.No.157 in **total 9.04 acres** were divided into plots under the name and style as **V.P.R. Garden.**

Item No.1: S.No.155/2, the plot no:129 measuring **2722 ½ sq.ft.** Ist part measuring **1845 sq.ft.** IInd part measuring **877½ sq.ft.**

Item No.2: S.No.157, the Plot no:133 measuring **1672 ½ sq.ft.** Ist part measuring **1620 sq.ft,** IInd part measuring **52½ sq.ft,** S.No.157, the Plot No:133A measuring **1571 ¼ Sq.ft.** Ist part measuring **1522 ½ sq.ft** , IInd Part **(48-3/4 sq.ft.)** S.No.157, the Plot No:135 measuring **1462 ½ sq.ft.** Ist part measuring **1402 ½ sq.ft.** IInd Part **(60 sq.ft.),** S.No.157, the plot no:136 measuring **1608-¾ sq.ft,** Ist part measuring **1179 ¾ ft.** IInd Part (273 ft.) IIIrd Part (156 ft.)

Item No.3: S.No.157, the plot no:137 measuring **1737 sq.ft.** S.No.157, the plot no:138 measuring **900 sq.ft.** S.No.157, the plot no:139 measuring **1428 ¾ sq.ft.** Ist part measuring **735 sq.ft.** IInd part measuring **693 ¾ sq.ft.** The total extent of land in Plot Nos.129, 133, 133A, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139 is **13,103 ¼ sq.ft.** The property lies within the jurisdiction of office of Dindigul Joint II Sub-Registrar Office.

Reserve Price: Rs.15,75,000/- | EMD Price : Rs.1,57,500/- | Bid Increase Amount : Rs.50,000/-

Date and Time of e-Auction
04.08.2026 at 10.30 AM to 11.30 AM
(With unlimited extension of 5 minutes duration each till the conclusion of the sale)

Date and Time of Inspection of Property
01.08.2026 between 11.00 am to 4.00 pm

Last Date of Submission of EMD : EMD amount of 10% of the Reserve Price is to be deposited in E-Wallet of **M/s. PSB Alliance Private Limited (BAANKNET)** portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan **on or before 03/08/2026 till 5.00 PM**

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website **(www.canarabank.com)** or may contact Canara Bank, **Asset Recovery Management Branch-I,** Chennai **(Ph. No. 044 - 2849 6339 / 2849 6900)** E-mail: cb2361@canarabank.com during office hours on any working day or Details of Auction Service Provider : **Baanknet (M/s PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd), (Contact No. 7046612345 / 6354910172 / 8291220220/ 9892219848 / 8160205051, Email: support.baanknet@psballiance.com/ support.baanknet@procure247.com).**

Portal of E-Auction: **https://baanknet.com**

Date : 30.06.2026 | Authorised Officer
Place: Chennai | Canara Bank

KALYANA KARNATAKA ROAD TRANSPORT CORPORATION

STORES & PURCHASE DEPARTMENT, CENTRAL OFFICES,
Sarige Sadana, Main Road, Kalaburagi-585 102.
Mobile No. 77606 86172 (COSP), 77609 92029 (S.O).

No. KKRTC/CO/COSP/04/2026-27 Dated:29.06.2026

TENDER INVITING NOTICE (THROUGH KPP PORTAL MODE ONLY)

Tenders through KPP portal (pre-qualification & commercial) are invited for supply of following items / services.

Sl. No.	Tender No.	Tender Nomenclature	Est. Value (Rs.)	Last date for submission of tender
01	KKRTC/2026-27/ SE8781	Engaging an agency for providing Technical Assistants on contract basis to divisions of KKRTC	9.52 Crore	08.07.2026 at 15.00 hrs
02	KKRTC/2026-27/ IND0219	Supply of Cold Applied Self Adhesive Polymer Bituminous Composite membrane with aluminum foil at the top	0.16 crore	01.08.2026 at 15.00 hrs
03	KKRTC/2026-27/ IND0220	Supply of Pop Revits (multi grip)	0.57 Core	01.08.2026 at 15.00 hrs
04	KKRTC/2025-26/ IND0192/CALL-3	Supply of thin walled bearings	0.70 Crore	16.07.2026 at 15.00 hrs
05	KKRTC/2024-25/ IND0101/CALL-6	Supply of Piston Assembly & Ring Sets	0.89 Crore	16.07.2026 at 15.00 hrs

All the details of Tender, Registration, Tender form documents etc. are available at **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.** Mail to cospnekrtc@gmail.com or support@eprochelpdesk.com for further information if required. Further, any addendum /corrigendum related to changes in terms and conditions of tender, specification and calendar of events etc. will be uploaded only through KPP portal.

Sd/- Controller of Stores and Purchases
(Tender Inviting Authority)

DIPR/Kalaburagi/273/KSMC&A/2026-27

MAHATRANSCO

Time Extension Notice

MSETCL invites online bids (E-Tender) from registered contractors / agencies on Mahatransco E-Tendering website **https://srmetender.mahatransco.in;** for following works.

Tender No: - CE/MSLDC/REMC/RE-DSM/T-01/2026-27 **[RFx: 7000039574] Subject:-** Development of "Web based RE Scheduling & Deviation Accounting Software" at MSLDC, Airoli, in accordance with the provisions of the MERC (Forecasting, Scheduling and Deviation Settlement for Solar & Wind Generation) (First Amendment) Regulations, 2024 & MERC RE F&S Procedures along with hosting of Entire Data Base and Application Software on Cloud.

Tender Estimated Cost: - Rs. 65,28,34,294/- (including GST) **EMD: -** Rs. 65,28,343/- (1% of Estimated Cost); **Tender Fees: -** 29500/- (25000/- + GST: 4500/-).

The due date of the said tender has been extended. The revised dates are as below:

Due Date & Time (Hrs.) of tender Documents: - **10-07-2026 up to 23:59 Hrs.** Bid Opening (Technical Bid): - **Date.13-07-2026 at 11:00Hrs** (Tentatively or next possible working day). Bid Opening (Price Bid): - **Date.20-07-2026 at 11:00Hrs** (Tentatively or next possible working day).

For further details visit our website **https://mahatransco.in, https://mahasldc.in** and open **above RFX** for downloading tender document, schedules, corrigendum and annexures.

Sd/- Chief Engineer (MSLDC), MSETCL, Airoli

BENGALURU SOUTH CITY CORPORATION

Office or the Executive Engineer, Bommanahalli Division, Begur Main road, Bommanahalli, Bengaluru-560068

Tender Notification No:BSCC/EE/B&AD/Tend-05/2026-27 Date: 30.06.2026.

INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT)

(Short Term Tender Notification) TWO COVER TENDER
(Through GoK KPP Portal https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in only)

The Executive Engineer, Bommanahalli & Arakere Division, South Zone - 2, BSCC, Bengaluru-560 068, invites tenders from eligible Contractors registered in Bengaluru South City Corporation, Bengaluru or equivalent registration with KPWD/ CPWD/BWSSB/MES/Railways/ National Highway or any State Government,Organizations for the construction of works detailed in the table below. (Standard Tender Document - KW- 4).

S.I.	Name of the Work
1	Comprehensive development of roads, drain and other allied works in ward no 62,67,68,Bommanahalli Constituency, under2000cr grant (Comprising of 4 works in G.O BSCC SI no-81,82,83,84) Package No-01-2026-27. **Esti. Cost**: 1325.00 Lakhs. **EMD :** Rs. 13.25.
2	Comprehensive development of roads, drain and other allied works in ward no 59,68 and arkere sub division in Bommanahalli Constituency, under2000cr grant (Comprising of 3 works in G.0 BSCC SI no-85,86,89) Package No -02-2026-27. **Esti. Cost**: 1100.00 Lakhs. **EMD :** Rs. 11.00.
3	Comprehensive development of roads, drain and other allied works in ward no 53,54,55,61 and arkere sub division in Bommanahalli Constituency, under2000cr grant (Comprising of 3 works in G.0 BSCC SI no-87,88,93) Package No -03-2026-27. **Esti. Cost**: 1300.00 Lakhs. **EMD :** Rs. 13.00.
4	Comprehensive development of roads, drain and other allied works in ward no 60 and arkere sub division in Bommanahalli Constituency, under 2000cr grant (Comprising of 5 works in G.O BSCC SI no-94,95,96,97,98) Package No -04-2026-27. **Esti. Cost**: 1150.00 Lakhs. **EMD :** Rs. 11.50.

EMD in Lakhs (One Lakh to be transferred through e-Portal & remaining amount to be provided in the form of BG/DD/FDR) for each work.

Calender of Events : 1) The tender document can be downloaded from the KPPP portal from dated : 01.07.2026. 2) Pre bid meeting will be held on dated : 04.07.2026 at 16.00 Hrs. 3) Last date submission of tender documents on or before dated : 08.07.2026 at 16.00 Hrs. 4) Technical will be opened on the website on dated: 09.07.2026 after 16.30 Hrs.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Bommanahalli & Arakere Division

RAJASTHAN RAJYA VIDYUT PRASARAN NIGAM LIMITED

NOTICE INVITING e-BIDs
SE(PROC-I)/NIB- 02/2026-27/BN- 9015002523

Online e-bids are invited from interested bidders for Hardware Clamps & Connectors for 220 kV & 132 kV Substations (BN-9015002523, UBN-VPN2627GLRC00825).The detailed NIB and Bid document /specification are available for viewing/downloading on the website http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in, http://sppp.rajasthan.gov.in. Details of NIB are available on website **energy.rajasthan.gov.in/rrvpn.** Any extension in bid submission/opening date (if any) will be floated/uploaded on **http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in, http://sppp.rajasthan.gov.in & energy.rajasthan.gov.in/rrvpn** only.

Raj.Samwad/C/26/5911 R.R.V.P.N./TR-7649/2026 Superintending Engineer (Proc-I)

S. E. RAILWAY – TENDER

Sr. CDO, Santragachi, South Eastern Railway, Kharagpur Division, acting through the President of India invites an open tender, through e-tendering in **www.ireps.gov.in** website as per details mentioned below. Eligible tenderers are requested to apply for the same through online only in **www.ireps.gov.in** website as per details mentioned below. No offline tender will be accepted. Please read the tender document uploaded in the document section for details. **Sl.No.-1. Tender Notice No.: SRC-C-LINEN-OUT-010726, Dt: 29.06.2026. Name of the work:** Mechanized washing of dirty linens of AC coaches, packaging of washed linens and loading and unloading to and from trains of Santragachi & Padmapukur coaching Depot for a period of 02 (two) years. **Tender Value:** ₹ 39,35,75,290.70 (including GST). **EMD:** ₹ 21,17,900. **Closing date of tender:** 24.07.2026 at 11.30 hrs. **Cost of Tender document:** ₹ 10,000 (non-refundable). **Sl.No.-2. Tender Notice No.: SRC-C-OBHS-GR1-040726, Dt: 29.06.2026. Name of the work:** On Board Housekeeping Service and linen Distribution (Group 1) for trains of Santragachi for a period of 03 years. **Tender Value:** ₹ 67,90,31,547.32 (including GST). **EMD:** ₹ 35,45,200. **Closing date of tender:** 27.07.2026 at 11.30 hrs. **Cost of Tender document:** ₹ 25,000 (non-refundable). **(PR-399)**

SUNDARAM FINANCE LIMITED

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AMBATTUR BRANCH

POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of **M/s. SUNDARAM FINANCE LIMITED** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a demand notice dated **10th March 2026** calling upon the: **1. M/s. Vanakkam Garments, Proprietor Mr.J. Bridjois Kingston (Borrower) residing at** No.13, Otteeswararnagar, Ottiyambakkam Main Road, Ottiyambakkam, Chennai - 600 130, **2. Mr.J. Bridjois Kingston** S/o Justin **(Guarantor) Residing at:** DS1, Oyester Blissyard Homes, Bhuvaneshwari Nagar, Varadharajapuram, Mannivakkam, Kancheepuram - 600 048 **and 3. Mrs. Mousmi Pal W/o J. Bridjois Kingston (Guarantor)** Residing at No. 626, S R Nagar North, Nethaji Main Road, Andipalayam, Tiruppur - 641 687. **Loan Contract number. V118800029** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.3,20,63,624.00 /- (Three Crores Twenty Lakhs Sixty Three Thousand Six Hundred Twenty Four Rupees Only)** as on **10/03/2026** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower and Guarantors have failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower/Guarantors and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002 on this **27th day June 2026.**

Both, the borrower and guarantors in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **M/S. SUNDARAM FINANCE LIMITED** for an amount as mentioned herein under with interest thereon.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Schedule "A" Property - (Sale Deed Doc.No.1698/2025): All that piece and parcel of land situated in S.Nos.12/3, 12/6 and other Survey Numbers forming Plot Layout in the name of **"VGP THIRU NAGAR PART IV"** (Approved Plot Layout D.T.C.P.No.1011/1994), bearing (i) Plot No.285, comprised in S.No.12/3 measuring **2160 Sq.Ft.,** (ii) Plot No.286, comprised in New S.No.12/6A1, O.S.Nos.12/3 & 12/6 measuring **2160 Sq.Ft.,** (iii) Plot No.287, comprised in New S.No.12/6A1, O.S.No.12/6 measuring **2160 Sq.Ft.,** and totally measuring **6480 Sq.Ft.,** situated at Village No.18, Mylapore Village, Uthukottai Taluk, Tiruvallur District and Plots in bounded on the- **(I). Plot No.285 is bounded on the** – North by : 40 feet wide common pathway in Plot Layout, South by : Plot No.302, East by : Plot No.286, West by : Plot No.284. Admeasuring East to West on the Northern Side : 40 Feet, East to West on the Southern Side : 40 Feet, North to South on the Eastern Side : 54Feet, North to South on the Western Side : 54 Feet And totally measuring 2160Sq.Ft., as per as Patta No.1094, New Sub-Division S.No.12/47.

(ii) Plot No.286 is bounded on the - North by : 40 feet wide common pathway in Plot Layout, South by : Plot No.301, East by : Plot No.287, West by : Plot No.285, Admeasuring East to West on the Northern Side : 40 Feet, East to West on the Southern Side : 40Feet, North to South on the Eastern Side : 54Feet, North to South on the Western Side : 54Feet, And totally measuring **2160Sq.Ft.,** as per Patta No.1094, New Sub-Division S.No.12/48, 12/62. **(iii) Plot No.287 is bounded on the –** North by : 40 feet wide common pathway in Plot Layout, South by : Plot No.300, East by : Plot No.288, West by : Plot No.286. Admeasuring East to West on the Northern Side : 40 Feet, East to West on the Southern Side : 40 Feet, North to South on the Eastern Side : 54 Feet, North to South on the Western Side : 54 Feet, And totally measuring **2160Sq.Ft.,** as per Patta No.1094, New Sub-Division S.No.12/63. Altogether Plots 285 to 287 totally measuring **6480 Sq.Ft.,** and situated within the Poondi Panchayat Union, Village No.18 Mylapore Village, and situated within the Registration District of Tiruvallur and Sub-Registration District of Uthukottai.

Schedule "B" Property – (Sale Deed Doc.No.1699/2025)

All that piece and parcel of land situated in S.No. 12/6 and other Survey Numbers forming Plot Layout in the name of **"VGP THIRU NAGAR PART IV"** (Approved Plot Layout D.T.C.P.No.1011/1994), bearing (i) Plot No.288 measuring **2160 Sq.Ft.,** (ii) Plot No.289 measuring **2160Sq.Ft.,** (iii) Plot No.297 measuring **1081 Sq.Ft.,** in all plots comprised in New S.No.12/6A1, O.S.No.12/6, and totally measuring **5401 Sq.Ft.,** situated at Village No.18, Mylapore Village, Uthukottai Taluk, Tiruvallur District and Plots in bounded on the- **(I) Plot No.288 is bounded on the:** North by : 40 feet wide common pathway in Plot Layout, South by : Plot No.299, East by: Plot No.289, West by : Plot No.287. Admeasuring East to West on the Northern Side : 40 Feet, East to West on the Southern Side : 40Feet, North to South on the Eastern Side :54 Feet, North to South on the Western Side : 54Feet, And totally measuring 2160Sq.Ft., as per Patta No.1057, New Sub-Division S.No.12/64. **(ii) Plot No.289 is bounded on the-** North by : 40 feet wide common pathway in Plot Layout, South by : Plot No.298, East by : Plot No.290, West by : Plot No.288, Admeasuring East to West on the Northern Side :40Feet, East to West on the Southern Side : 40 Feet, North to South on the Eastern Side : 54Feet, North to South on the Western Side : 54Feet, And totally measuring 2160Sq.Ft., as per Patta No.1095, New Sub-Division S.No.12/65. **(iii) Plot No.297 is bounded on the -** North by : Plot No.290, South by : 23 Feet wide common pathway in Plot layout, East by : Plot No.296, West by : Plot No.298. Admeasuring East to West on the Northern Side :27Feet, East to West on the Southern Side : 16.3Feet, North to South on the Eastern Side :50Feet, North to South on the Western Side :50Feet And totally measuring 1081 Sq.Ft., as per Patta No.1095, New Sub-Division S.No.12/66. Altogether Plots 288, 289, 297 totally measuring 5401Sq.Ft., and situated within the Poondi Panchayat Union, Village No.18 Mylapore Village, and situated within the Registration District of Tiruvallur and Sub-Registration District of Uthukottai.

Schedule "C" Property – (Sale Deed Doc.No.1700/2025): All that piece and parcel of land situated in S.No.12/6 and other Survey Numbers forming Plot Layout in the name of **"VGP THIRU NAGAR PART IV"** (Approved Plot Layout D.T.C.P.No.1011/1994), bearing (i) Plot No.298 measuring **2000Sq.Ft.,** (ii) Plot No.299 measuring **2000 Sq.Ft** (iii) Plot No.300 measuring **2000 Sq.Ft.,** in all plots comprised in New S.No.12/6A1, O.S.No.12/6, and **totally measuring 6000 Sq.Ft.**, situated at Village No.18, Mylapore Village, Uthukottai Taluk, Tiruvallur District and Plots in bounded on the- **(i) Plot No.298 is bounded on the –** North by : Plot No.289, South by: 23 feet wide common pathway in Plot Layout, East by : Plot No.297, West by : Plot No.299 Admeasuring East to West on the Northern Side: 40Feet, East to West on the Southern Side:40Feet, North to South on the Eastern Side : 50Feet, North to South on the Western Side :50 Feet And totally measuring **2000 Sq.Ft.,** as per Patta No.1095, New Sub-Division S.No.12/67. **(ii) Plot No.299 is bounded on the -** North by : Plot No.288, South by : 23 Feet wide common path way in Plot Layout, East by : Plot No.298, West by : Plot No.300, Admeasuring East to West on the Northern Side : 40Feet, East to West on the Southern Side :40Feet, North to South on the Eastern Side :50Feet, North to South on the Western Side : 50 Feet and totally measuring **2000 Sq.Ft.,** as per Patta No.1095, New Sub-Division S.No.12/68. **(iii) Plot No.300 is bounded on the -** North by : Plot No.287, South by : 23 feet wide common pathway in Plot Layout, East by : Plot No.299, West by : Plot No.301 Admeasuring East to West on the Northern Side:40 Feet, East to West on the Southern Side :40 Feet, North to South on the Eastern Side :50 Feet, North to South on the Western Side:50 Feet And totally measuring **2000 Sq.Ft.,** as per Patta No.1095, New Sub-Division S.No.12/69. Altogether Plots 298 to 300 totally measuring **6000 Sq.Ft.,** and situated within the Poondi Panchayat Union, Village No.18 Mylapore Village, and situated within the Registration District of Tiruvallur and Sub-Registration District of Uthukottai.

Schedule "D" Property – (Sale Deed Doc.No.1701/2025): All that piece and parcel of land situated in S.Nos.12/3, 12/6 and other Survey Numbers forming Plot Layout in the name of **"VGP THIRU NAGAR PART IV"** (Approved Plot Layout D.T.C.P.No.1011/1994), bearing (i) Plot No.301, comprised in New S.No.12/6A1, O.S.Nos.12/3 & 12/6 measuring **2000Sq.Ft.,** (ii) Plot No.302, comprised in S.No.12/3 measuring **2000 Sq.Ft.,** (iii) Plot No.303, comprised in S.No.12/3 measuring **2000 Sq.Ft.,** (iv) Plot No.304, comprised in S.No.12/3 measuring **2000 Sq.Ft.,** and totally measuring **8000 Sq.Ft.,** situated at Village No.18, Mylapore Village, Uthukottai Taluk, Tiruvallur District and Plots in bounded on the- **(i) Plot No.301 is bounded on the -** North by : Plot No.286, South by : 23 Feet wide common pathway in Plot Layout, East by : Plot No.300, West by : Plot No.302, Admeasuring East to West on the Northern Side:40Feet, East to West on the Southern Side :40Feet, North to South on the Eastern Side :50Feet, North to South on the Western Side : 50Feet, And totally measuring **2000Sq.Ft.,** as per Patta No.1096, New Sub-Division S.No.12/49,12/70. **(ii)Plot No.302 is bounded on the-** North by : Plot No.285, South by : 23 feet wide common pathway in Plot Layout, East by : Plot No.301, West by : Plot No.303, Admeasuring East to West on the Northern Side :40 Feet, East to West on the Southern Side : 40 Feet, North to South on the Eastern Side : 50Feet, North to South on the Western Side :50Feet, And totally measuring **2000Sq.Ft.,** as per Patta No.1096, New Sub-Division S.No.12/50. **(iii)Plot No.303 is bounded on the-** North by : Plot No.284, South by : 23 feet wide common pathway in Plot Layout, East by : Plot No.302, West by : Plot No.304, Admeasuring East to West on the Northern Side : 40Feet, East to West on the Southern Side : 40Feet, North to South on the Eastern Side:50Feet, North to South on the Western Side :50Feet And totally measuring **2000 Sq.Ft.,** as per Patta No.1096, New Sub-Division S.No.12/51 **(iv) Plot No.304 is bounded on the-** North by : Plot No.283, South by : 23 Feet wide common pathway in Plot Layout, East by : Plot No.303, West by : 30 feet wide common pathway in Plot Layout Admeasuring East to West on the Northern Side : 40Feet, East to West on the Southern Side : 40Feet, North to South on the Eastern Side : 50Feet, North to South on the Western Side :50Feet And totally measuring **2000 Sq.Ft.,** as per Patta No.1096, New Sub-Division S.No.12/52. Altogether **Plots 301 to 304 totally measuring 8000 Sq.Ft.,** and situated within the Poondi Panchayat Union, Village No.18 Mylapore Village, and situated within the Registration District of Tiruvallur and Sub-Registration District of Uthukottai.

Place : Thiruvallur **For SUNDARAM FINANCE LIMITED**
Date : 27.06.2026 **Authorised Officer**

TAMIL NADU LIVESTOCK DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

IV Floor, Integrated Office Complex for Animal Husbandry and Fisheries Department, 571, Anna Salai, Saidapet Veterinary Polyclinic Campus, Nandanam P.O., Chennai-35.
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e-TENDER NOTICE

E-Tenders are invited from eligible tenderers online through **https://tntenders.gov.in** for the following item under **"Two part System"**

e-tender Ref. No	Name of the Item
2026/60	Triple Roller Mill
2026/61	Ointment Filling Machine (Tube Filling Machine)
2026/62	Liniment Filling Machine, Automatic Linieear Capping Machine and Labeling Machine
2026/63	Drum Lifter & Shifter
2026/64	Auto Case Erector
2026/65	Disintegrator
2026/66	Miscellaneous Items for Pharmaceutical use (Closed Type Transfer Vessel, Tin Cutter, Oil Lifting Pump & Scoop)

Pre-Bid meeting on 06.07.2026 - 11.30 am.

Individual tender documents with full details can be downloaded at free of cost from **https://tntenders.gov.in** upto **20.07.2026, 11.00 am** Last date for submission of tenders : **20.07.2026, 11.00 am** Corrigendum/Addendum to this publication, if any, would appear only on the above website.

DIPR / 2163/ TENDER / 2026 **Chief Executive Officer**

Government of Tamilnadu — எல்காட் ELCOT

ELECTRONICS CORPORATION OF TAMILNADU LIMITED

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NOTICE INVITING TENDER
Tender No. ELCOT - ITP - 2026 - 0001

ELCOT invites bidders for "E- Tender cum e-Auction for allotment of fully developed non-SEZ plots located at ELCOT IT Parks of Hosur and Madurai - II on 99 years lease and Tirunelveli on 75 years lease" (2nd call). For complete details, please visit www.tntenders.gov.in. Pre-bid meeting: **08.07.2026,** 11:00 AM at ELCOT HO, Egmore. Last date for submission of e-bids: **01.08.2026, 3 PM.** For queries: itparks@elcot.in

General Manager
(IT Parks & Projects)

DIPR / 2172 / TENDER / 2026

Indian Bank

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ZONAL OFFICE, POONAMALLEE
55, Ethiraj Salai, Zonal Office Building II Floor, Wellington Estate, Egmore, Chennai - 600 008. Telephone : 044 - 28252043, 29862238.
email : zopoonamallee@indianbank.bank.in

APPENDIX IV-A [See Proviso to rule 8(6)]

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 read with proviso to Rule 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the below mentioned Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the schedule mentioned immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officers of respective branches of Indian Bank, the Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is"** and **"Whatever there is"** basis for recovery of amount due specified for each of the accounts thereto, which is due to payable to the secured creditor, with further interest, costs, other charges and expenses thereon .

INDIAN BANK, MINJUR BRANCH : No.15A, T H Road, Minjur, Tiruvallur - 601 203.
Telephone : 044-26418290, email : minjur@indianbank.bank.in

1. NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE BORROWERS/GUARANTORS/MORTGAGORS : (1) Mr. V. Marimuthu, (Borrower/Mortgagor), S/o Perumal Venkatesan, No.3/4, VRB Street, Minjur, Tiruvallur - 601 203. **(2) Mrs. Bujiyammal Marimuthu, (Co-borrower),** W/o V. Marimuthu, No.3/4, VRB Street, Minjur, Tiruvallur - 601 203.

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE TO THE BANK AS ON 29.06.2026 : Rs.29,63,545/- (Rupees Twenty nine lakhs sixty three thousand five hundred and forty five only) with further interest, costs, other charges and expenses thereon from 30.06.2026.

SHORT DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of land and building bearing Plot No.49 part, comprised in OS. No.305/1, NS No.582/12, situated at Irattaimalai Srinivasan Street, Mudichimbedu Village, Anupambattu Post, Thiruvallur District - 601 203 measuring an extent of 1254 Sq. ft. Situated within the Registration District of Tiruvallur and Sub-Registration Ponneri.

POSSESSION TYPE : Physical **PROPERTY ID : IDIB6853132692** **ENCUMBRANCES ON PROPERTY : Nil**

RESERVE PRICE : Rs.14.00 Lakhs | **Bid increment : Rs.10,000/-** | **EMD : Rs.1.40 Lakhs**

BANK WEBSITE | E-AUCTION WEBSITE | PROPERTY LOCATION | PROPERTY PHOTO

INDIAN BANK, AMBATTUR VIJAYALAKSHMIPURAM BRANCH : No.28, Annasalai, Vijayalakshmipuram, Ambattur, Chennai - 600 053. Telephone : 044-26570850/52. email : AMBATTUR.A599@indianbank.bank.in

1. NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE BORROWERS/GUARANTORS/MORTGAGORS : (1) Mr.N L Bala, (Borrower), S/o.Lakshmipathi, No.10/141, Pallavan Nagar, V Cross Street, Thiruverkadu, Chennai - 600 077. **(2) Smt.Vaisali, (Co-Borrower),** W/o.N L Bala, No.10/141, Pallavan Nagar,V Cross Street, Thiruverkadu, Chennai - 600 077. **(3) Mr.V Suresh, (Guarantor),** S/o.Venkatachalam, Anjaneya Driving School, No.4, Malligai Avenue Annexe, Retteri, Kolathur, Chennai - 600 099.

AMOUNT DUE TO THE BANK AS ON 29.06.2026 : Rs.1,12,49,978/- (Rupees One crore twelve lakhs forty nine thousand nine hundred and seventy eight only) with further interest, costs, other charges and expenses thereon from 30.06.2026.

SHORT DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of house site, bearing Plot No.10, measuring an extent of 2115 sq. ft. in the lay out named Sri Venkteshwara Avenue, layout approved by (Approval No.LP/DTCP No.428/91) comprised in Survey No.37/A6, situated at No.4, Urapakkam Village, Chengleput Taluk, Kancheepuram District. Measuring East to West on Northern Side : 48 feet 6 inches, Southern side : 42 ft. 6 inches, North to South on the Eastern side : 66 feet, Western side : 39 feet in all measuring as extent of 2115 sq. ft. Registration district of South Chennai and Sub Registration District of Guduvancheri. Flat measuring 980 sq. ft., together with 432 undivided share of land in 2115 sq. ft., Flat No.G-1, Ground Floor.

POSSESSION TYPE : Physical **PROPERTY ID : IDIB6165536507** **ENCUMBRANCES ON PROPERTY : Nil**

RESERVE PRICE : Rs.30.00 Lakhs | **Bid increment : Rs.10,000/-** | **EMD : Rs.3.00 Lakhs**

Date and Time of Inspection of the Properties & related documents : 09.07.2026 to 10.07.2026 between 10.00 a.m. and 4.00 p.m. | BANK WEBSITE | E-AUCTION WEBSITE | **DATE AND TIME OF E-AUCTION : 17.07.2026 FROM 10.00 A.M. AND 4.00 P.M.**

Last Date for submission of Tender form/EMD : 17.07.2026

Bidders are advised to visit the website **(https://www.baanknet.com)** of our e auction service provider PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd to participate in online bid. For Technical Assistance Please call PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd. Helpdesk No. 8291220220, email ID :- **support.baanknet@psballiance.com** and other help line numbers available in service providers help desk. For Registration status with PSB Alliance Pvt. Ltd. and EMD Status, please contact **support.baanknet@psballiance.com**. For property details and photograph of the property and auction terms and conditions please visit : **https://www.baanknet.com** and for clarifications related to this portal please contact Helpdesk No.8291220220. **Bidders are advised to use Property ID Number** mentioned above while searching for the property in the website with **https://www.baanknet.com.**

Date : 29.06.2026 **AUTHORISED OFFICERS,**
Place : Chennai **RESPECTIVE BRANCHES, INDIAN BANK.**

SBI State Bank Of India

Stressed Assets Recovery Branch - II
No.44, 1st Floor, Eldams Road, Teynampet, Chennai -600018.
Email: sbi.70674@sbi.co.in

Authorised Officer's Details Name: Shri.K.C.Meena Mobile No: 8699009584
City Case Officer details: Name: Shri.K. Ranjeethkumar Mobile No: 9486848516

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY (See Provisio to Rule 8 (6))

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest(Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged to the Secured Creditor, the Possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of **State Bank of India,** the Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is Where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is" basis** on below mentioned dates for the recovery of the dues to the **State Bank of India, SARB II, Chennai** from the Borrower(s) /Guarantor(s) as mentioned below.

BORROWER's NAME & ADDRESS : Mr. A. Joshua,
(1) No.87, 1st Floor, West Balaji Nagar Extn, Thendral Nagar 1st Street, Ambattur, Chennai – 600053.
(2) Josh Agro Agency, Plot No.142, Flat No.F4, 1st Floor, RKR Building, Periyar Cross Street, Keelayambakkam, Chennai-600095.
(3) Plot No.4 & 5, Flat No. S4, Second Floor, Sri Sai Shelter, Sushil Nagar, Unamanchery, Chennai – 600048.
(4) Plot No.4 & 5, Flat No. G1, Ground Floor, Sri Sai Shelter, Sushil Nagar, Unamanchery, Chennai – 600048.

Outstanding Amount : Rs.1,22,87,284/- (Rupees One crore twenty two lakhs eighty seven thousand two hundred and eighty four only) in Housing loan as on 29.06.2026 with future interest, costs, etc.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Property 1 : Name of the Title Holder Mr. A. Joshua S/o. Arokiasamy: SCHEDULE "A" All that piece and parcel of Vacant House site, bearing Plot No.4, measuring an extent of 1943 Square feet, and Plot No.5 measuring 2194 square feet, totally 4137square feet, comprised in Survey No.95/2A part, 95/3 part and 98/2, Old Patta No.1920, New Patta No.2172 as per patta New Sub divided Survey No.98/18 and Patta No.2171, New Survey No.98/19, in the layout named SUSHIL NAGAR, situated in No.12, UNAMANCHERI Village, Vandalur Taluk, Chengalpet District, within the Regisration District of Chennai South and the Sub Registration District of Guduvancheri, within the limits of Kattankulathur Panchayat union and Unamancheri Village Panchayat Bounded on the North by – Plot No.3 ; South by – Plot No.6; East by – Vacant Land; West by -20 feet wide road, Measuring East to West on the Northern Side: 54 feet ,East to West on the Southern Side: 60 feet, North to South on the Eastern Side: 75 feet , North to South on the Western Side : 70 feet. **SCHEDULE – "B"** An undivided 419 sq.ft., out of the total extent of 4137 sq.ft., title and interest in the schedule "A' property mentioned herein above. **SCHEDULE – "C"** Flat bearing No.S-4 measuring a built up area of 1290 Square feet inclusive of all common areas or thereabouts constructed in second floor with car parking at Schedule-A property. **Asset ID : SBIN200050631519. Property-1 Address :**Plot No.4 & 5, Flat No.S-4,Second floor, Sri Sai Shelter, Sushil Nagar, Unamanchery, Chennai – 600048.

RESERVE PRICE ₹ 25,00,000/- **EMD ₹ 2,50,000/-** **BID INCREMENT AMOUNT ₹ 25,000/-**

Property 2: Name of the Title Holder Mr. A. Joshua S/o. Arokiasamy: SCHEDULE "A": All that piece and parcel of Vacant House site, bearing Plot No.4, measuring an extent of 1943 Square feet, and Plot No.5 measuring 2194 square feet, totally 4137square feet, comprised in Survey No.95/2A part, 95/3 part and 98/2, Old Patta No.1920, New Patta No.2172 as per patta New Sub divided Survey No.98/18 and Patta No.2171, New Survey No.98/19, in the layout named SUSHIL NAGAR, situated in No.12, UNAMANCHERI Village, Vandalur Taluk, Chengalpet District, within the Regisration District of Chennai South and the Sub Registration District of Guduvancheri, within the limits of Kattankulathur Panchayat union and Unamancheri Village Panchayat Bounded on the North by – Plot No.3 ; South by – Plot No.6, East by – Vacant Land ; West by -20 feet wide road Measuring East to West on the Northern Side : 54 feet ,East to West on the Southern Side: 60 feet,North to South on the Eastern Side: 75 feet,North to South on the Western Side: 70 feet **SCHEDULE – "B":**An undivided 390 sq.ft., out of the total extent of 4137 sq.ft., title and interest in the schedule "A' property mentioned herein above **SCHEDULE – "C":**Flat bearing No.G-1, ground Floor measuring a built up area of 934 Square feet inclusive of all common areas or thereabouts constructed in Ground floor with car parking at Schedule-A property. **Asset ID : SBIN200050646431. Property-2 Address:**Plot No.4 & 5, Flat No.G-1,Ground floor, Sri Sai Shelter, Sushil Nagar, Unamanchery, Chennai – 600048.

Encumbrances known to the Bank, if any : NIL **Status of Possession : Physical**

RESERVE PRICE ₹ 25,00,000/- **EMD ₹ 2,50,000/-** **BID INCREMENT AMOUNT ₹ 25,000/-**

Date and Time of Inspection of Properties: 13.07.2026, between 11:00 am and 4:00 pm

DATE & TIME OF E-AUCTION: 22.07.2026 **Time: 11.00 AM to 04.00 PM** **With auto time extension of 10 minutes each till sale is completed**

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in the State Bank of India, the Secured Creditor's website **www.sbi.co.in and https://baanknet.com**

Date : 29.06.2026 **Authorized Officer,**
Place : Chennai **State Bank of India, SARB-II, Chennai**

State Bank Of India

LEATHER & INTERNATIONAL BRANCH
No.157, First Floor, Anna Salai, Adjacent to LIC Building Chennai-600002
Ph: 044-28608078, Email Id:Sbi.07024@sbi.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE Rule 8(1) (For immovable Property)

Notice is hereby given under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(2) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, a demand notice was issued on the dates mentioned against each account and stated hereinafter calling upon them to repay the amount within 60 days from the date of receipt of said notice.

The Borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower/Guarantor and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of power conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 9 of the said Act on the dates mentioned against each account.

The Borrower/Guarantor in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **STATE BANK OF INDIA** for an amount and interest thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Name of the Borrower M/s Lifespice India Private Limited and the Guarantors,

Date of Demand Notice : **18.07.2025;** Amount outstanding : **Rs. 5,83,58,223** and interest from **11.06.2026 (Rupees Five Crores Eighty Three Lakhs and Fifty Eight Thousand Two Hundred Twenty Three Only).**

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY :

Property No.1: Date of Possession : 25.06.2026 ;

Property owned by : M/s Rukshana Ganeshan All that part and parcel of the property consisting of Flat No. / Plot No. 78 and 79, in Old S.No

DRUG-FREE K'TAKA Karnataka CM D K Shivakumar on Tuesday said his govt aims to make the state drug-free by 2028 and urged the public, especially the youth and students, to join hands in eliminating the menace

Int'l expert to be roped in to review draft 3rd master plan

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Chennai

EVEN as the Chennai Metropolitan Development Authority (CMDA) is racing against time to notify third master plan (TMP) for Chennai Metropolitan Area (CMA), state housing and urban development department has decided to rope in international town planning experts to review the draft third master plan.

A senior department official said CMDA has prepared the draft master plan and the government has decided to review it thoroughly. "Process to finalise the master plan is ongoing and steps have been taken to release the draft before September," the official added. CMDA has been preparing the TMP for the last 5 years at a cost of nearly ₹2.5 crore as the second master plan will lapse in September. If completed and notified, the TMP will have a horizon period till 2047.

Meanwhile, a source privy to the development said the draft TMP has several shortcomings and practical difficulties. "The master plan cannot be implemented completely as per the present draft. After review by the experts, it will be tweaked if necessary. If the experts suggest a new draft, the department will prepare a fresh one," the source added. The planning authority first commenced the process to prepare the TMP in December 2020 and conducted public consultations in December 2022. The authority conducted over 15 studies including gender inclusive urban planning, income pattern, land use pattern, blue-green infrastructure, temporal growth and others to prepare a vision document, which was the base document for the TMP.

CM DK Shivakumar launching the SIR campaign by filling up the enumeration form handed over by officials at his Sadashivanagar residence | EXPRESS

SIR exercise: 12K forms distributed on 1st day in K'taka

House-to-house enumeration will continue till July 29; digitization will last till August 29

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

HOUSE-to-house visits by Booth Level Officers (BLOs) as part of the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) exercise started on Tuesday, June 30. On the first day, a total of 12,48,314 (2.5%) enumeration forms were distributed to electors, of which 47,817 forms were digitized.

The office of the Chief Electoral Officer (CEO), Karnataka, stated that 6,840 forms were submitted by electors online, while 488 were marked as ASDDO (absent, shifted, dead and duplicate). The release from the CEO Karnataka office said two were marked as uncollectible/unreadable and 116 were listed as permanently shifted, 291 were marked as dead electors and 77 as already enrolled electors. As per the release, the maximum number of 1,46,025 forms was distributed in Hassan, of which 1,793 were digitized. The lowest number of 3,923 forms was distributed in Bengaluru Rural, of which 266 were digitized. In BBMP Central, 12,122 forms were distributed and 759 were digitized. In BBMP North, 23,221 forms were distributed and 1,092 were digitized, and in BBMP South district, 10,620 forms were distributed and 872 digitized. Data also showed that a total of 10 uncollected enumeration forms were recorded in Bengaluru Rural, 16 in BBMP North district, five in BBMP South and one in BBMP Central district. The highest number of uncollected forms was 70 in Raichur, followed by 41 in Koppal. As on June 16, 2026, there are 5,54,32,314 electors in Karnataka. The house-to-house enumeration period is from June 30 to July 29, 2026, and the digitization period is from July 30 to August 29, 2026.

DMK forms panel to restructure organisation

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Chennai

AFTER announcing a 10-member committee to recommend a comprehensive organisational restructuring of DMK, the party president MK Stalin said, "This is the right time to undertake reforms from the branch level to the party headquarters and give the organisation a fresh energy." He said the exercise was intended to strengthen the party from grass-root level to the headquarters and prepare it for the next hundred years.

Stalin, in a statement on Tuesday, said the committee has been tasked with recommending changes in district-level organisations, restructuring party wings, revamping election committees, creating a permanent election management structure and examining the need for a think tank to advise the party leadership permanently.

"The committee has been asked to submit its recommendations to party leadership by the first week of August. The recommendations will later be discussed with the party's high-level action committee and district secretaries before the organisational restructuring is implemented," Stalin said in the statement on X.

The committee comprises former ministers Thangam Thennarasu, Geetha Jeevan, Chakrapani and SS Sivasankar; MLA and Women wing functionary Tamilarasi Ravikumar, former MP MM Abdulla, former MLA E Paranthaman, MP S Murasoli, former MLA Dr Ezhilan and SKP Karuna.

DRDO eyes role in space programmes at Kulasekharapatnam launch complex

C SHIVAKUMAR @ Chennai

SCIENTIST and Director General (Electronics & Communication Systems) at Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO), BK Das, indicated that the proposed Bengaluru-Hosur industrial corridor could support future production and research for the Netra airborne early warning programme.

He was speaking on the sidelines of the CII TN DEF X Conclave, BK Das. "With Bengaluru and Hosur together, an industrial corridor can certainly emerge," he said. When asked whether this would include the Netra programme, he replied, "Yes... could be."

Meanwhile, Tamil Nadu Industrial Development Corporation (TIDCO) Chairman D Karthikeyan, who was also present at the event, told *TNIE* talks are going on for the CABS facility in Hosur after the Chief Minister C Joseph Vijay came up with the proposal.

The DRDO chief said the organisation had recently achieved Final Operational Clearance (FOC) for the Netra airborne early warning and control system, which has since been inducted into service and operationally deployed.

"The next versions are coming with more capability, more power and advanced technologies. Numbers will increase, but more importantly the technology will move to the next level," he said, describing Netra as India's "dependable surveillance eye in the sky". On the Advanced Medium Combat Aircraft (AMCA) programme, Das declined to discuss the decision to locate key facilities outside Tamil Nadu, saying such decisions were taken at the highest level based on operational and geographical considerations.

Das also confirmed DRDO has drawn up a roadmap for future space programmes that could align with Isro's second launch complex at Kulasekharapatnam. "I can't explain the details now, but as time comes you will see a lot of big programmes. They will probably be aligned to those kinds of missions," he said.

V Vinayagam, senior vice president, Tamil Nadu Defence Industrial Corridor, told *TNIE* TIDCO is acquiring land for the proposed space industrial park and Propellant Park in Thoothukudi. Das said that DRDO was finalising a more industry-friendly procurement framework aimed at encouraging greater participation by MSMEs, startups and long-gestation manufacturing industries.

Dignitaries during the inaugural session of the CII TN Defence X Conclave 2026 on Tuesday in Chennai | EXPRESS

VCK will extend support to TVK for five years, says Thiruma

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
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Viduthalai Chiruthaigal Katchi (VCK) president Thol. Thirumavalavan on Tuesday said the party will continue to support TVK government for the next five years.Speaking to media persons, Thirumavalavan said, "Together with Left parties and the Indian Union Muslim League (IUML), we will uphold our commitment to support the TVK government. We wish for the TVK government to continue for five years."

To a question on several AIADMK MLAs and senior leaders quitting the party, he said,"This is an unusual scene, why are elected representatives quitting the party and their positions ? What are the contradictions inside the AIADMK ? Six AIADMK leaders have quit party and MLA post which is serious. "When questioned about a viral video of Minister D Sarath Kumar, Thirumavalavan said truth must be established and he cannot make any statements without proof.

'DMK govt kept project on hold because of stiff public opposition'

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THE other villages covered under the Mines and Minerals Development and Regulation Act, 1957, for undertaking prospecting or mining operations are Ezhudesam -C, Kollencode-A, and Kollencode- B in Killiyir taluk of Kanniyakumari district. The validity of the reservation given for five years has lapsed on June 10, 2026.

The IREL had sought mining lease from Tamil Nadu government for mining beach sand minerals, including ilmenite, rutile, leucoxene, ziron, monazite, garnet and sillimanite, in the identified land area.

The mining plan was approved by Atomic Minerals Directorate for Exploration and Research (AMD) in February, 2024, and the Union Minister of Environment, Forest, Climate Change had exempted public hearing for the project citing national defence and security.

The validity, however, lapsed before IREL could get Environment Clearance and Coastal Regulation Zone Clearance to obtain the mining leases, and the state has now extended the validity by a year.

Former DMK Minister Mano Thangaraj told *TNIE* that the DMK government kept the project on hold because of stiff public opposition. "The government should have taken into account people's interest before extending the validity period of reservation," he said.

He also said the communication of the Director of Geology and Mining to IREL on April 16, 2026, when the Model Code of Conduct (MCC) was in effect due to Assembly elections, is a clear violation of the election code.

All Indian fisherman welfare association state vice president Arul Anandan of Poothurai near Thoothukudi said that the previous DMK government assured the agitation committee that they will not give environmental clearance for beach sand mining by IREL. Former CM MK Stalin wrote letter to central government to cancel the project. However, the issuance of extension order given on the last day of the five-year period raises suspicion that some strong force may be behind it, Arul Anandan said.

Meanwhile, Anukanima Suranga Ethirpu Makkal Iyakkam functionary Kurumbanai Berlin, while condemning the TVK government for granting the extension, questioned whether CM Vijay knew that his government had granted permission for a disastrous project.

Despite repeated attempts, Natural Resources Minister TK Prabhu could not be reached for his comments.

Tension grips Mayiladuthurai after couple found dead in shed

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ACCORDINg to police, Parthiban approached the Poraiyar police station on Monday night alleging that the girl's father and others had assaulted him and abused him by his caste name. Based on his complaint, police registered a case under the SC/ST (Prevention of Atrocities) Act and other provisions against the girl's father and four relatives. Police sources said all five have been taken in for questioning.

On Tuesday morning, the girl's father lodged a complaint stating that his daughter was missing. During the search, police traced the couple to a shed near Sathankudi, where both were found dead. Their bodies were sent to the GMCH, Tiruvarur, for postmortem. Tension prevailed in the area after the bodies were recovered, with members of the two families engaging in arguments. Acting Superintendent of Police G Stalin visited the spot and supervised the investigation. Police said all possible angles are being examined.

P Sivaranjini (24), the boy's cousin, alleged that considering the alleged attack made on Parthiban on Monday, it is evident that he was killed. Police said the parents of both the deceased said they were not aware of how and when the two left their homes. The girl's body was handed over to her family after the postmortem and cremated in Mayiladuthurai on Tuesday.

Residents of Pudupalayam, along with functionaries of VCK and Left parties staged a road blockade, demanding booking of murder case. Sources said the postmortem of Parthiban's body is not over yet.

Bank of Baroda presented a dividend cheque of ₹2,811 crore to Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman for the financial year ended March 31, 2026. The cheque was handed over by Dr Debadatta Chand, MD and CEO of the bank in the presence of Sanjay Lohiya, secretary, Department of Financial Services (DFS), and the bank's executive directors Lalit Tyagi, Sanjay Mudaliar, Lal Singh and Beena Vaheed | EXPRESS

Saveetha Hospital in Chennai has successfully completed two deceased donor liver transplantations (DDLTs). The recipients are Amit Saha, a 37-year-old from Kolkata and Viswabarathi, a 67-year-old from Chennai. They were suffering from de-compensated chronic liver disease with portal hypertension. The transplantations were conducted by Dr J Nirmal, Surgical Gastroenterology and Liver Transplant Department, Saveetha Hospital along with his team | EXPRESS

CHITTARANJAN LOCOMOTIVE WORKS

E- TENDER NOTICE

Tender Notice No.: PCMM/CLW/HWH/E-Procurement/26/26, Dated: 25/06/2026. PCMM/CLW/HWH on behalf of the President of India invites electronic bids from established reliable manufacturer for supply of the followings. The following E-Tender/s is for supply of materials for manufacture of Electric Locomotive. The Prospective/ likely suppliers are requested to look up the website **www.ireps.gov.in** for detailed instructions. These are E-Tenders only electronic offer bids shall be accepted. **Sl. No.; Tender No.: Description of Stores; Quantity; Due On; Tender Cost are as follows: [093]; 14262720;** Set of Pipe Saddle For WAG-9 To Drg./Spec. No. CLW/ES/3/0038/F (Set Detail Attached); As Per Tender/Document; **14/07/2026;** ₹0.00. **[094]; 14262984B;** 1) Pantograph Mounting Insulator To Drg. Spec. No. CLW/ES/AC/I-1/L, CLW/ES/SK-4/AC/I-1/L,2) Roof Line Insulator To Drg./Spec. No.CLW/ES/AC /I-1/L, CLW/ES/SK-2/AC/I-1/L; As Per Tender/Document; **17/07/2026;** ₹0.00. **[095]; 25255148;** Advanced Electrosurgical unit with APC Facility; As Per Tender/Document; **23/07/2026;** ₹0.00. **[096]; 14262954;** 18 Pin UIC - Socket (Without UIC Plug) To Drg./Spec. No. CLW/ES/3/0 047/E; As Per Tender/Document; **07/08/2026;** ₹0.00. **[097]; 14262649;** Set Of Metallic Pipe and Mounting T-Sensor For Main Transformer of WAG-9HC Locomotive To CLW Specn. No. CLW/ES/3/0253/S (Scope of Supply as per Annexure uploaded); As Per Tender/Document; **07/08/2026;** ₹0.00. **[098]; 14262980;** LED Marker Light To Drg./Spec. No. (i) ELRS /SPEC/PR / 0022 (Rev.1, Oct 2004) except Page No. 24 & (ii) CLW/ES/SK-1/L-29 ALT-A; As Per Tender/Document; **11/08/2026;** ₹0.00. **[099]; 31262539;** Key Multiplier Set for Non-Panel (Consisting of 02 items) a) Key Multiplier - 1 for M/C compartment b) Key Multiplier - 2 for Converter Module as per Specn: CLW/ES/3/0049/F; As Per Tender/ Document; **14/08/2026;** ₹0.00. **[100]; 14262619;** Panto Disconnecting and Earthing Device To Drg./Spec. No. CLW/ES/3/0008/B; As Per Tender/ Document; **17/08/2026;** ₹0.00. **[101]; 14262643;** Ball Valve G3/4" To Drg./Spec. No. CLW/ES/3/0117/C; As Per Tender/ Document; **20/08/2026;** ₹0.00.

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E- Tender Notice

E-Tender details	Repair & Reshelling of 38 nos of Conventional and Louts Rollers to Cooperative and Public sector Sugar Mills for the year 2026-27.
E-Tender Web Portal	https://tntenders.gov.in
Eligibility	Manufacturer only
Earnest Money Deposit	Rs. 2,75,000/-
Last Date & Time for Submission of tender	30-07-2026 @ 11.00 AM
E-Tender part – 1 opening date & Time	30-07-2026 @ 11.30 AM

For Further details visit Website: https://tntenders.gov.in and tender form can be downloaded on free of cost.

Chennai-35 30.06.2026 **Administrator**

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OPEN E-TENDER

No. COS/CRJ/PUB/e-Tender/19/0162, Date: 24/06/2026. The following **e-Tenders** can be accessed under the link **www.ireps.gov.in.** Offers for such e-Tender can be submitted only electronically by accessing the link **www.ireps.gov.in → login → E-Tender Stores/Supply.** Vendors may also contact the following officials to obtain clarification regarding particular tender or IREPS related information if any, Dy. CMM/P/CLW/Chittaranjan, 9163340721 or AMM/P, 9163342746. **Office Address: Office of The PCMM/CLW/ Chittaranjan. Sl. No.; Tender No.; Brief Description of Item; Quantity; Earnest Money Deposit (Rupees); Tender Closing Date & Time (IST)** are as follows : **[01]; 74263764;** Spacer for WAG-9HC to CLW Drg. No: -1209-01.418-004 Alt-2. [**Warranty Period:** 30 Months after the date of delivery]; **30317.00 nos;** ₹ 125930.00; **20/07/2026 at 11:00 AM. [02]; 74263743;** Axle Box Complete Without Bearing [CRU-150] for WAG-9HC as per Specn. No:- CLW/MS/03/0003 Alt-5. [Set means Loco set consisting of 03 (Three) items as per Set Details attached] [**Warranty Period:** 30 Months after the date of delivery]; **756.00 sets;** ₹ 2000000.00; **28/07/2026 at 11:00 AM. [03]; 74263724; (i)** Secondary Helical Spring for WAG-9HC as per Drg.No.1209-01.115-028 Item-1&Item-2, Specn: CLW/MS/3/SPEC./ELDO-BOGIE/004, Alt.3. [**Warranty Period:** 30 Months after the date of delivery], **(ii)** Primary Helical Spring for WAG-9HC as per Drg. No. 1209-01.215-027 Item-1 & Item-2, Specn: CLW/MS/3/SPEC./ELDO-BOGIE/004, Alt.3. [**Warranty Period:** 30 Months after the date of delivery]; **(i) 614.00 sets, (ii) 580.00 sets;** ₹ 2000000.00; **03/08/2026 at 11:00 AM. [04]; 74263710;** Long Life Loco Side Buffer Assembly (Capacity: 30 KJ Minimum) to RDSO Drg. No:- SK.DL- 4748 Alt-2 or Latest & RDSO Spec. No:- MP-0.41.00.03 (Rev.03) August 2024 or Latest.[**Warranty Period:** 30 Months after the date of delivery]; **1351.00 nos.;** ₹ 1436660.00; **17/08/2026 at 11:00 AM.**

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No.: 75/Tenders, Dated: 25/06/2026. The following Corrigendum against Tenders are carried out as under:- **Sl. No.; Particulars; Tender No.; As per Tender Document; To be read as follows: [1];** Tender Opening Date; **75264030** (Cab Assly. for WAG-9HC); 03/07/2026; **13/07/2026. [2];** Tender Opening Date; **75264032** (Roof Assly. for WAG-9HC); 01/08/2026; **11/08/2026. [3];** Tender Opening Date; **75264033** (Side Wall Assly. for WAG-9HC); 10/07/2026; **20/07/2026. [4];** Tender Opening Date; **75264019** (Central Under Frame for WAG-9HC); 26/06/2026; **06/07/2026. [5];** Tender Opening Date; **75264021** (Side Sill Assly. for WAG-9HC); 02/07/2026; **13/07/2026. [6];** Tender Opening Date; **75264023** (Head Stock Assly. for WAG-9HC); 17/07/2026; **27/07/2026. [7];** Tender Opening Date; **75264061** (Bolster Assly. for WAG-9HC); 08/08/2026; **18/08/2026. [8];** Tender Opening Date; **75264022** (Centre Sill for WAG-9HC); 04/07/2026; **Nil. [9];** Eligibility Criteria; **All Tender** (As per Sr. 1 to 8); Existing; **Sources of Shell shall be considered approved for constituent Extra Large Fabricated Items. However, sources of Shell delisted for the tendered constituent Extra Large Fabricated item, shall not be considered for any ordering for that item. For sources of Shell supplying the tendered Extra Large fabricated items first time, Prototype clearance shall be obtained before bulk manufacturing.**

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Sl. No.	Tender Ref No. and Name of work	EMD Rs.
1	Ref: 01/TNMSC/ENGG/CIVIL/BUNKER/2026-VM, Dt.29.06.2026 Construction of Brachytherapy Bunker with CT Stimulator Room for Government Villupuram Medical College and Hospital.	1,50,000/-
2	Ref: 02/TNMSC/ENGG/CIVIL/BUNKER/2026-Stanley, Dt.29.06.2026 Renovation of ground-floor for CT Stimulator Room and construction of first floor at RT Building, Government Stanley Medical College and Hospital, Chennai.	55,000/-

Period of tender available online - 02.07.2026 to 17.07.2026
Last date of Submission - 17.07.2026 up to 03.00 PM
Date of Opening - 17.07.2026 at 03.30 PM

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EDITORIAL

"Let us firmly demand our rights. Stop being afraid of the revenue officer and demand your rights with courage" — Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel

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— Ramnath Goenka

SMALLER NATIONS RATTLE GIANTS OF FOOTBALL AS GOALIES HOLD THEIR FORTS

If sport is war without weapons, the knockout rounds of the Fifa World Cup is its most brutal stage—one that brooks no momentary lapse of tenacity. Ask Germany and the Netherlands. These North European powerhouses, who have 11 final appearances between them, were knocked out in penalty shootouts by Paraguay and Morocco, who have one quarterfinal and one semifinal appearance to show for their efforts till now. Meanwhile, the only nation to have won five World Cups won against the only Asian nation in the round of 32 with only seconds left. Gabriel Martinelli's 96th-minute winner past Japanese goalkeeper Zion Suzuki was the latest goal ever recorded during regulation time in a World Cup knockout match.

The last-gasp win reflected the massive strides the Samurai Blues have made in recent decades, thanks in part to some *Seleção* legends. Football changed in Japan when Brazilian star Zico shifted halfway across the world to play for and then coach Sumitomo Metals, a J League club later renamed Kashima Antlers. Dunga, Leonardo and Hulk followed in his trail. Brazilian-born midfielder Alessandro Santos even became a citizen and played 82 matches for Japan. The only other occasion the two nations played each other in a World Cup match—in 2006, when Japan received a 4-1 spanking from Brazil in Dortmund—Zico was Japan's coach. It was the Brazilian maestro who sowed the seeds of technical mastery that Japan used to beat the *Seleção* in a pre-World-Cup friendly and almost throttle Carlo Ancelotti's side in Houston.

The two other results on Monday showed that this has been, till now, a World Cup of goalkeepers too. Paraguay's Orlando Gill and Morocco's Yassine Bounou kept their teams in play through 120 minutes and then past the penalty shootouts. The win led to such a celebration in Paraguay, a tiny country with a population one-third of Delhi's, its government announced a national holiday on Tuesday. Ancelotti, one of the most successful coaches of the game, had prophesied before the tournament, "The perfect team won't win the World Cup... a more resilient team will." True to those words, Cape Verde's Vozinha, Ghana's Benjamin Asare and Curaçao's Eloy Room kept up their last lines of defence and showed that it might just be possible to shake up football's settled world order—one save at a time.

PLUG WELFARE GAPS, ROUTE SAVINGS INTO DEVELOPMENT

THREE years after the Congress rode to power in Karnataka on its promise of five guarantees, the state government is reviewing the welfare schemes' implementation. Though belated, it is a wholly necessary exercise as the involvement of public funds demands accountability. After the State Guarantee Schemes Implementation Authority flagged lakhs of ineligible beneficiaries, Chief Minister D K Shivakumar has issued strict orders that all ineligible beneficiaries be removed from the list.

The brief is clear: only families holding below-poverty-line or BPL cards are eligible for Anna Bhagya (free grains) and Gruha Lakshmi (₹2,000 a month to women family heads), while only voters of Karnataka with local Aadhaar cards are eligible for Gruha Jyoti (free power of 200 units), Shakti (free bus ride for women) and Yuva Jyoti (temporary financial aid for graduates).

The Gruha Lakshmi and Gruha Jyoti guarantees are being especially targeted for streamlining, with the government putting in place a process to re-register beneficiary details. It follows multiple audits over the past two years that revealed their widespread misuse. Benefits have been claimed by those holding fake BPL cards, non-voters and even in the name of deceased women. The free power scheme, meant for domestic use, was found to be channelled to commercial ventures at some places. The scheme benefits 1.7 crore people and costs the exchequer ₹800 crore. The non-voter factor is also bound to create ripples, as at least 10 lakh beneficiaries are migrant workers.

The schemes, which cumulatively cost the government around ₹60,000 crore a year, have led to a revenue deficit of ₹9,271 crore. The BJP has made political capital of it, citing irregularities, lack of resultant development and, lately, the glitches in beneficiary lists. The Karnataka schemes have often been dismissed as 'freebies'; but the truth is that governments of all political hues have launched their own versions across the country. The welfare-development debate has thrown up a surprisingly positive analysis. The schemes have helped alleviate poverty, increase families' disposable incomes and allowed women more mobility. At least 48 percent of the women surveyed asserted that the schemes were of great help, and only 8 percent played down their benefits. The authorities should heed that while continuing to weed out fraud and inefficiency. The savings thus generated can then be channelled into development.

QUICK TAKE

A SCREEN GAP

It's commendable that *The Voice of Hind Rajab*—the heart-wrenching story of a six-year-old girl's hours-long wait for an ambulance amid the Gaza war, whose dramatised version has won global acclaim—has been showing on big screens across India. Kudos to the distributors for playing one of the most important docudramas of the era in multiplexes. But the near-empty halls it has been showing to points to a lack of promotion. It also highlights a widening gap in the film screening business. There are indies, shorts and documentaries that have their own niche followings, but do not find places to screen. The response to Film Heritage Foundation's screening of restored classics in Mumbai showed there is demand for blasts from the past, too. We need a larger number of smaller screens in our big cities.

The govt is playing truant when it claims a passport is only a travel document. Denying voting rights by casting doubts on citizenship and statutory documents was another grave error

DANGEROUS SHIFT IN THE ONUS TO PROVE CITIZENSHIP

KAPIL SIBAL
Senior lawyer and member of Rajya Sabha

MANDAR PARDIKAR

THE ministry of external affairs says that a passport issued to a person by the Republic of India is only a travel document, not a proof of citizenship. That it is also a travel document is not in doubt. Neither Aadhaar, nor an Elector's Photo Identity Card (EPIC) or, for that matter, a birth certificate—all issued by statutory authorities—provides proof of the holder's citizenship.

Clearly, no document issued by the government of India or a statutory authority can be considered to be proof of a person's citizenship. There are two aspects of this matter that need our attention.

First, nothing stated in a document is proof of a fact stated therein. Such facts, when challenged, have to be proved through evidence, either direct or circumstantial, before a statutory authority or a court of law. That is a fundamental principle of law.

However, there is a presumption in law that the statements of fact found in each of such documents are true unless proved otherwise. The burden of doing so is on the person challenging the authenticity of such facts. Absent that, the facts stated in these documents will be deemed to be true.

However, a passport issued by the Republic of India is of special significance. It is never issued unless the person is a citizen of India. Issuance of a passport involves an elaborate investigative procedure that is required to be followed. The authorities are required to confirm the veracity of facts stated in the application including the applicant's date and place of birth.

Such a travel document, once issued, is recognised by other member States of multilateral organisations as a valid document. The document itself reflects the fact that such a person is a citizen of India based on which the immigration authorities of member States allow entry to such a person. There are several countries in the world which allow entry to an Indian passport holder even without a visa. This dispensation is solely based on the statutory presumption that the person to whom the document is issued is a citizen of India. For the MEA to say that a passport is only a travel document is playing truant with the law.

Such a statutory presumption can certainly be rebutted. The person who seeks to rebut that presumption may be a third person or the authority itself which issued the passport, on the basis of perhaps a fresh discovery of facts or for multifarious other reasons. It is in that context that the facts will have to be established to either confirm that the person is a citizen of India and holds a valid passport, or that the passport be revoked for the authority then to decide upon the legal status of the person.

The statutory presumption arising from a person holding an Indian passport is also significant in the context of the many rights a citizen enjoys in the Republic of India, including those guaranteed under Part III (fundamental rights) and Part IV (directive principles of state policy) of the Constitution. Such a person is also entitled to benefits available under several schemes, both of the Union government and of the state in which the individual resides. The same should hold true of any such document, like Aadhaar or EPIC, issued by any other statutory authority under a law made by Parliament.

The debate should not be centred on the fact that a person holding an Aadhaar card or a passport is not a citizen of India. In fact, he or she is presumed to be a citizen of India unless it is rebutted through a process of law.

A matter of fundamental rights

There is another aspect that needs attention. The Indian Constitution does not permit dual citizenship. A person acquiring the citizenship of another country will lose his or her status as a citizen of India, and such a person's passport will be revoked forthwith. Such a consequence proves that a passport is not merely a travel document but also proof of citizenship.

Our laws recognise various ways in which a person is presumed to be a citizen of India: by birth, descent, registration, naturalisation and incorporation of territories. By virtue of all such modes, a person is entitled to the status of a citizen and, consequently, to a passport.

In the recent elections in Bihar, Tamil Nadu, West Bengal and Kerala, the Supreme Court, while adjudicating a related matter, committed the gravest of legal errors by allowing a booth level officer to deprive a person of his right to vote by doubting his citizenship even in the absence of a lawful rebuttal, thereby taking away the statutory presumption attached to such documents. Lakhs of such persons were deprived of their franchise without the statutory presumption being rebutted.

I believe the entire process of election in West Bengal stood vitiated.

It is sad that the Supreme Court gave credence to such a procedure, which indirectly helped the ruling party. This is not just an error of law, but an error that changes political equations and allows for an uneven playing field. The Chief Justice of India has, in a recent speech, rightly said that when true equality is absent, the law disproportionately advantages more powerful entities.

It is important also to understand that the right to vote is a statutory right. But if a document on the basis of which the right is claimed attaches with it a statutory presumption, then a violation of that right is a violation of the principle of equality, which is a fundamental right.

A person holding the same statutory document and entitled to the same statutory presumption is allowed to vote while another such person is deprived of that right, which is fundamental, once the statutory presumption is not rebutted.

I do believe that this unnecessary controversy has been raised at a time when the ruling dispensation is mired in allegations of corruption—from the alleged misappropriation of temple funds to the acquisition of real estate by the family of a Chief Minister.

The future of India is at stake. I hope the Supreme Court realises this in the days ahead.

(Views are personal)
(On X @KapilSibal)

EDU, THE OTHER SHINKANSEN TRACK

S VAIDHYASUBRAMANIAM
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LITTLE did India imagine that the Shinkansen high-speed rail network launched in Tokyo in 1964 would one day carry a million passengers a day. Even farther would have been the thought that one day the technology could be used to connect Mumbai and Ahmedabad. Yet today this signals the beginning of a fresh collaborative journey between India and Japan, going by Prime Minister Narendra Modi's call for building more high-speed rail (HSR) routes.

If history remembers the partnership only for the HSR, both would have settled for far less. For the Shinkansen, which literally means 'new trunk line', is not just about tracks for trains, but the starting point of new journeys too. Education is another track on which this journey can take both nations towards a mutually rewarding destination.

The strategic trust between India and Japan has a legacy that is not driven just by trade and geopolitics. There is also a strong undercurrent of their shared social values, civilisational commons and, more importantly, the contrarian demographic crossroads that bestow on them a rare complementarity.

Let's begin with demography. Over half of India's population today is below the age of 30. Every year, lakhs of young Indians graduate from universities to seek meaningful opportunities. On the other hand, Japan's ageing population is threatening its might as one of the world's foremost technological powers. It is the solution to this demographic conundrum that the coming together of the two nations through an educational-civilisational mix can achieve.

For this, higher education offers perhaps the biggest untapped opportunity to blend both STEM knowledge and non-STEM aspects such as culture and values. The imbalance between the global mobility of Indian students westwards, to North America and Europe, and eastwards, especially to Japan, needs to be addressed.

The deafening silence of the Indian diaspora in business and higher education that I heard during a recent visit to Japan convinced me that a clarion call is needed at the policy level to pivot eastwards. There may be exceptional outliers in both nations, but India-Japan collaboration in such strategically complimentary areas needs a futuristic outlook.

While looking forward, we can learn from traditions too. One way Japanese industries have demonstrated their global competitiveness is through *kaizen*, the idea of continuous improvement, and *monozukuri*, the spirit of craftsmanship. Together, they lead to uncompromising quality standards.

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It's not just bullet trains that can bring India and Japan closer. More extensive educational and people-to-people ties can benefit both economies at a time one has an ageing population and the other a surfeit of young graduates. Diplomatic goodwill should be used to invest in human capital

Introducing Japanese standards of safety, precision and civic discipline to Indians would not be a one-way street. We can infuse the best of Japanese ways to fuel India's progress towards a Viksit Bharat by 2047.

India's manufacturing ambition can soar with Japanese participation to build globally competitive industries in sectors as crucial as semiconductors, electric vehicles, batteries, renewable energy, machine tools, medical devices, aerospace and defence.

Civilisational connections between the two have been forged for over a thousand years through the spread of ideas linked to Hinduism and Buddhism. Today, yoga, ayurveda, Indian classical arts, cuisine and cinema attract huge audiences in Japan. Equally popular among Indians is Japanese anime, manga, martial arts, architecture, cuisine and design.

The three-day bilateral summit between Prime Minister Modi and his Japanese counterpart Sanae Takaichi starting today solidifies the Modi-Shinzo Abe friendship that brought the two democracies closer for engaging in stronger collaborations.

The relationship can be further cemented through catalysing agents such as higher education institutions and industry partners. Universities are comprehensive canopies for students, artists, entrepreneurs, researchers, innovators and cultural ambassadors. Corporate houses can also be bilateral evangelists capable of accelerating educational-cultural ties. It would require a tripartite coalition of government agencies, universities and companies in India and Japan to uncork the synergies.

Increasing two-way student mobility between Indian and Japanese universities, regular staging of cultural festivals, youth policy and social leadership programmes, language learning initiatives, heritage conservation projects, industry-academia collaborations, endowed schemes for cross-border employability and innovation can effectively strengthen people-to-people bonds.

Given the excellent diplomatic ties but widening trade and social deficits, stronger multidimensional connections can improve regional stability and global economic resilience at a fraught geopolitical moment.

India and Japan can today think of 'bullet trains' to promote collaborative learning, innovations and investment in people. The challenge is to convert goodwill into a comprehensive partnership that transforms education, research, manufacturing, innovation, culture, trade and human capital. While India strives to be a developed nation, Japan, the first Asian nation to earn the tag, can offer deep learning.

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Restore faith

Ref: *Transparency needed at Ram temple* (Jun 30). The multi-crore embezzlement is an unpardonable betrayal of millions of faithful donors. The SIT must conduct a ruthless, transparent audit ignoring all political shielding. Bureaucratic arrogance must yield to professional management before public reverence permanently evaporates into cynicism.
Vijaykumar H K, Raichur

Local jobs

Ref: *Curb youth trafficking* (Jun 30). The Tiruvallur tragedy underscores the grim realities of migration and the exploitation of vulnerable youth. Because merely tracking migrant workers fails to address the root of the crisis, it is imperative for governments to generate sustainable job opportunities within the tribal hinterlands themselves.
Salman, Kozhikode

Fifa's appeal

Ref: *Storms in a World Cup* (Jun 30). It's evident that Fifa is compromising its core spirit to maximise revenue. Expanding the tournament to 48 teams unnecessarily prolongs the event and diminishes match quality. When a premier competition prioritises quantity over excellence, it risks losing its prestigious appeal.
Vikashini G S, Chennai

Bengal Bill

Ref: *WB okays law* (Jun 30). In a country where dishonest administration is common, bringing in laws that empower authorities to arrest individuals without trial is officialising the Emergency era. In its emotional cribbing against Indira Gandhi, the overenthusiastic BJP government seems to make a police State the new normal.
Chetan Datta Poduri, Hyderabad

Democracy's mockery

Ref: *Over 46.52 lakh electors unmapped* (Jun 30). The right to citizenship hanging among other due entitlements makes a mockery of democracy. Among the victims is a veteran journalist who is being denied passport renewal as his name did not figure in the SIR. The ECI and Centre should undo their follies before it affects more gullible citizens.
V Chandrasekaran Bharathi, Madurai

Legal entitlements

Ref: *Ayodhya police question Rai* (Jun 30). The Faizabad Bar Association's resolve is untenable. Any accused facing criminal charges has the fundamental right to seek legal recourse. The association can't behave like an extra-constitutional authority.
C M Umanath, email

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POSTS OF THE DAY

Supriya Shrinate @SupriyaShrinate
Stealing the offerings in Ayodhya's Ram Temple is not theft; it is a grave sin. This is the biggest blow to the faith of crores of Hindus that has ever happened before

Abhishek Banerjee @abhishekaitc
The BJP does not want your vote. It wants an opposition free state and an opposition free country, where citizens lose the right to protest, question and criticise

Yogi Adityanath @myogiadityanath
UP, which was once a BIMARU state due to sins of Congress and SP, is establishing itself as the Top 3 Economy by becoming Indian economy's growth engine

21 INDIA bloc parties, AAP and DMK write a joint letter to CJI on 'partisan' EC ● Height of hypocrisy, says ruling party

Oppn up in arms against SIR, BJP livid

PREETHA NAIR & RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

UPPING the ante against the Election Commission of India (ECI) and the ongoing Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of voter rolls, twenty-three political parties, including the DMK and the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP), on Tuesday submitted a joint letter to Chief Justice Surya Kant on the role of the Election Commission and other election-related issues.

The letter follows the INDIA bloc meeting on June 8, where the parties unanimously decided to send a joint representation to the CJI on the SIR process, alleged "vote loot" and the "stealing of elections".

According to Opposition sources, the four-page letter raised concerns about the SIR process in several states, including West Bengal, Haryana, Maharashtra and Bihar. The parties also alleged that the Election Commission has been acting in a "partisan" manner and questioned its handling of election-related issues.

While the letter drew a sharp response from the BJP, Trinamool Congress MP Kirti Azad alleged, saying, "You all know that the BJP is number one in theft — vote theft, MLA poaching, MP poaching and donation scams. We have written that the CEC is still an ex-officio member. Earlier, he was a member of the Ram Janmabhoomi Trust, where allegations of a ₹3,500 crore scam went uninvestigated. In such a situation, should that person continue to hold this position?"

RJD MP Manoj Jha said the issue went beyond electoral rolls and concerned citizens' democratic rights. "…we would urge the Supreme Court, as it remains the final hope, to show us a way forward or cite a precedent... It is not just the numbers that are growing; democracy itself appears to be dying. I do not believe for a moment that this is a crisis for the Trinamool Congress or the Shiv Sena; it is a crisis for Indian democracy. An attempt is being made to establish a one-party system," he said.

Oppn questions handling of election-related issues

The Opposition parties alleged that the Election Commission has been acting in a "partisan" manner and questioned its handling of election-related issues. Meanwhile, BJP national spokesperson Shehzad Poonawalla claimed the Congress had earlier praised the EC, but opposed the exercise in states where it faced political setbacks.

Although INDIA bloc constituents DMK and AAP had skipped the June 8 meeting citing reservations over the Congress' role within the alliance, sources said the parties remained united in opposing the SIR process. Congress and the DMK have also ended their decades-old alliance after the Congress extended support to TVK in Tamil Nadu.

In a post on X, Congress general secretary Jairam Ramesh said the Opposition remained anchored in "SURE" — Solidarity, Unity and Resistance. He said 21 political parties and one Independent party attended the June 8 INDIA Janbandhan meeting, where the decision was taken to jointly write to the Chief Justice. According to him, the letter signed by 23 political parties and one Independent MP, including Kapil Sibal, was sent on Tuesday.

TMC leader Derek O'Brien also confirmed that the AAP and the DMK had signed the letter. "Good going from INDIA. And yes, Aam Aadmi Party and DMK also signed the joint letter to CJI," he said on X.

Reacting strongly, the BJP accused the Opposition of displaying "the height of hypocrisy" by criticising the SIR process while supporting similar electoral roll revision exercises in states where it suited them politically. BJP national spokesperson Shehzad Poonawalla alleged that repeated electoral defeats had prompted Opposition parties to target constitutional institutions.

Calling SIR a pretext, Poonawalla alleged that the Opposition was attempting to create an excuse for future electoral losses. He claimed the Congress had earlier praised the EC, EVMs and electoral roll revisions in states such as Kerala and Tamil Nadu, but opposed the exercise in states where it faced political setbacks. He asserted that the Supreme Court had recognised the importance of SIR in ensuring free and fair elections and said the EC was constitutionally empowered to conduct the exercise.

Congress mulls privilege motion against Rajnath

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

THE Congress on Tuesday sought privilege proceedings to be initiated against Defence Minister Rajnath Singh for allegedly withholding information and misleading Parliament by saying no Indian soldiers were martyred during the Operation Sindoor.

In a letter to Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla, Congress MP and Chairperson of the PAC KC Venugopal urged the Speaker to initiate privilege proceedings under Rule 223 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Lok Sabha, accusing the minister of misleading the House.

In his letter, Venugopal wrote that during the discussion on Operation Sindoor, the Defence Minister stated that no soldier was harmed, however, an official statement said that six armed forces personnel had died during the operation.

"It is well established that misleading the House or withholding information from the House by a minister on the floor of the House constitutes a breach of privilege," he wrote.

Gen Seth takes charge as Army chief, 1st Armoured Corps officer since 1997

JAVARIA RANA @ New Delhi

GENERAL Dhiraj Seth took over as the 31st Chief of the Army Staff (COAS) on Tuesday, succeeding General Upendra Dwivedi, who retired after more than four decades of service. He becomes the first officer from the Armoured Corps to head the Army since General Shankar Roychowdhury in 1997. Commissioned into the 2nd Lancers (Gardner's Horse) in December 1986, the NDA and IMA alumnus was briefly Vice Chief since April 1.

Gen Seth follows in the footsteps of his father, Lt Gen Krishna Mohan Seth, a former Adjutant General and even went on to command the same Bhopal-based XXI "Sudarshan Chakra" Strike Corps that his father had once led.

Gen Seth has the rare distinction of having commanded two operational Army Commands as an Army Commander, the Jaipur-based South Western Command and the Pune-based Southern Command, giving him sustained strategic oversight along the western front facing Pakistan for over two-and-a-half years.

His earlier command tenures span an armoured regiment in the desert sector, an armoured brigade in a developed sector and a counter-insurgency force

in J&K, while his staff stints, as Colonel (Capability Development, Mechanised Forces) and Brigadier (Perspective Planning and Acquisition), were closely linked to the Army's Long-Term Integrated Perspective Plan.

The new chief takes charge amid the Army's sweeping post-Operation Sindoor reorganisation, with the conflict having underlined the growing role of drones, precision strikes, layered air defence and networked warfare in future battles.

A tank man, Gen Seth comes to the job with a direct hand in dragging the Armoured Corps into this drone age. The Shaurya Squadrons, drone sub-units now being embedded within armoured regiments to sharpen tank warfare, were first validated by his Sudarshan Chakra Corps under his command.

But Gen Seth also takes over with several key modernisation programmes still a work in progress.

Five states top in court infra under BNS regime

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

TWO years after the rollout of India's new criminal law regime, Haryana, Goa, Assam, Chandigarh and Punjab have emerged as the top five performers in implementing the sweeping legal reforms, according to the latest State/UT Nyaya Sanhita Ranking released by the government on Tuesday.

Officials in the Union Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) said the leading states and Union Territories have successfully established the digital infrastructure required for investigations. Covering 26 states and union territories, the assessment found that 23 have scored above average in implementing the reforms.

The latest rankings show a sharp improvement in implementation between November 2025 and June 2026, with the national compliance score rising from 46.47% to 70.06%.

The most significant gains came in operational efficiency —the highest-weighted category accounting for 45% of the overall score, which rose from 14.79% to 25.42%.

Technology adoption also accelerated during the period. The ICT application score, carrying a 25% weightage point, increased from 10.55% to 17.20%, reflecting wider adoption of platforms such as e-Sakshya, electronic evidence management systems and digital policing tools.

FCRA framework underwent major reforms: Shah

Highlighting reforms in the FCRA framework, Shah said the system before 2014 was burdened with extensive paperwork and lacked effective oversight. But since the Modi government assumed office, the FCRA regime has undergone significant reforms through streamlined procedures and improved regulatory mechanisms. The launch of the portal comes days after the MHA notified the FCRA Rules, 2026.

Union Home Minister Amit Shah at the launch of new FCRA portal | PTI

Administrative reforms improved from 14.71% to 18.96%, indicating better institutional preparedness, governance reforms and implementation of standard operating procedures. Coordination among police, forensic laboratories, prosecution agencies and courts also strengthened, with the integration score rising from 6.42% to 8.48%. An official said the national score of over 70% marks is substantial progress.

The officials expressed confidence that all states and UTs would fully implement the new framework by December 2026.

Cumulative FIR registrations rose more than fourfold from 17.90 lakh in 2024 to 74.41 lakh in 2026, while charge sheets filed increased from 15.92 lakh to 59.71 lakh, indicating a sharp rise in case processing.

Investigation timelines have also improved. Compliance with the 60-day charge sheet deadline increased from 50.92% to 67.26%, while compliance with the 90-day deadline climbed from 39.56% to 60.95%. The proportion of FIRs reaching courts improved from 39.01% to 45.99%, reflecting stronger integration between police and the judiciary.

Technology-enabled policing registered notable gains. Zero FIR registrations increased nearly fivefold from 12,821 in 2024 to 63,572 in 2026. Coverage under the e-Sakshya digital evidence platform more than doubled from 23.07% to 48.78%, while Sakshya IDs surged from 5.57 lakh to 46.50 lakh, signalling rapid adoption of digital evidence management.

The forensic ecosystem has also expanded significantly. Mobile forensic vans increased 14-fold from 50 to 700, while the number of DNA forensic laboratories rose from 28 to 30 and cyberforensic laboratories from 27 to 28.

Meanwhile, Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Tuesday launched the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act (FCRA) 2.0 Portal and the e-OCI Card here. Speaking at the launch, Shah said the FCRA 2.0 Portal and the e-OCI Card are citizen-centric initiatives aimed at simplifying services while strengthening monitoring mechanisms. He said the introduction of the e-OCI Card will benefit more than 50 lakh Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) cardholders by making services more accessible.

Shah said that the government has been working on the principle of "Minimum Government, Maximum Governance", with a strong emphasis on leveraging technology to improve public service delivery.

Break silos, adopt 'whole of the govt' idea, PM tells secys

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi, while chairing a review meeting on Tuesday with the secretaries of Central government departments, emphasised adoption of a "whole of the government" approach to ensure time-bound completion of work and delivery of objectives. The meeting, which lasted for nearly four hours at Seva Teerth, saw the Prime Minister undertake a detailed review of the government's reform agenda and assess the preparedness of key departments through presentations by the secretaries.

Eighty secretaries attended the meeting. According to sources, each of them made presentation before the PM while Cabinet Secretary T V Somanathan anchored the meeting agenda-wise.

The PM stressed the need to break down departmental silos by strengthening coordination and integrated planning to achieve optimum outcomes through transparent implementation of reforms. Modi encouraged the use of the PM GatiShakti platform as an effective mechanism for inter-departmental coordination and informed decision-making.

Modi dials Iranian Prez, welcomes West Asia pact

PM Narendra Modi on Tuesday welcomed the understanding reached in West Asia and reiterated that all issues should be resolved through dialogue and diplomacy during a telephone conversation with Iranian President Masoud Pezeshkian.

According to sources, deliberations focused on two key themes. The first was "deregulation and other reforms for ease of doing business and ease of living", while the second was "promoting Aatmanirbharta", in line with the national objective of achieving Viksit Bharat 2047.

Sources said the secretaries outlined the major initiatives being undertaken by their ministries and departments in line with the two themes, while also highlighting ongoing efforts to translate the Prime Minister's vision into tangible outcomes. The meeting also featured discussions on sector-specific challenges, with departments outlining their future strategies to strengthen governance and improve service delivery.

During the meeting, the Prime Minister reportedly asserted that proper and meticulously planned attention must be given to the tangible impact of reform schemes on people's lives. He also reportedly stressed the importance of delivering measurable outcomes within stipulated timelines, while making periodic reviews an integral part of the government's reform strategy. A discussion on the use of AI and other technology-driven governance initiatives was also reportedly held.

A source said, "The deliberations also covered the government's flagship reform agenda, with particular emphasis on measures aimed at improving ease of doing business and ease of living." Sources said the secretaries made presentations on their respective ministries, giving details on the functioning.

Modi has already set the government's goal of turning India into a developed country by 2047, when it celebrates 100 years of its independence. He had earlier outlined the reform priorities for the next 10 years, asserting that his government's "Reform Express" has delivered systemic transformation.

Visa on arrival, easy licence renewals needed to boost tourism: Niti Aayog

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

SEEKING to unlock the growth potential of India's tourism and hospitality industry, the NITI Aayog has recommended a series of reforms, including introduction of a multiple-entry Visa-on-Arrival (VoA) regime for travellers from select countries, hassle-free grant and renewal of licences for tourism and hospitality businesses to reduce compliance burdens.

The recommendations are aimed at improving the ease of doing business, attracting more international visitors and encouraging investment in the sector. These suggestions are part of NITI Aayog's report titled Unlocking Growth in Tourism and Hospitality Sector, released on Tuesday. The report calls for a streamlined, consistent and efficient regulatory framework to reduce procedural bottlenecks and improve the business environment.

While the country possesses a rich, diverse and globally

competitive tourism offering, its full potential remains constrained by regulatory complexity, the policy think tank noted in the report.

The report recommended that India gradually transitions towards a Tourist Visa-on-Arrival (VoA)-led facilitation framework, supported by simplified visa categories, a targeted country selection approach, and strengthened digital and payment infrastructure.

Reasoning the introduction of VoA regime, the Aayog's report said that by reducing procedural barriers at the point of entry and enabling greater flexibility in travel planning, the proposed framework is expected to improve the conversion of travel intent into actual visits and support repeat visitation through easier re-entry.

It also proposed the provision of a 90-day, multiple-entry Tourist Visa-on-Arrival (VoA) for selected countries to strengthen inbound tourism demand and enable seamless travel.

The report pointed out that multiple licences required by accommodation units involving mandatory inspections, high-frequency renewals, and other procedures could increase compliance costs, delay the commencement or continuation of operations, and create administrative uncertainty for operators. Hence, simplification of regulations governing accommodation units is needed, it added.

Modi, Japan PM set to launch AI, green pacts

JAYANTH JACOB @ New Delhi

INDIA and Japan are set to expand their strategic partnership with a series of agreements on artificial intelligence, economic security, clean energy and next-generation mobility when Prime Minister Narendra Modi holds annual summit talks with his Japanese counterpart, Sanae Takaichi, on Thursday.

Takaichi, who arrives in India on Wednesday on her first official visit, will hold bilateral talks with Modi that are expected to produce multiple outcome documents alongside around 120 agreements between businesses from the two countries, sources said.

One of the centrepieces of the summit will be a joint declaration on artificial intelligence, reflecting both countries' push to shape emerging technologies while strengthening trusted digital partnerships. The leaders are also expected to announce a next-generation mobility partnership, cooperation in biogas, and a large-scale green ammo-

nia production project as part of efforts to deepen collaboration in clean energy and industrial decarbonisation.

The summit is also expected to align India's long-term development vision of Vikshit Bharat with Japan's economic revitalisation agenda, underscoring a shared focus on resilient supply chains, innovation-led growth and investments.

Maritime security is set to feature prominently in the discussions against the backdrop of growing strategic competition in the Indo-Pacific. The two leaders are expected to chart the next phase of cooperation in maritime domain awareness, defence equipment and technology, while expanding industrial collaboration and strengthening connectivity between India's northeast and the Bay of Bengal region, according to people familiar with the preparations.

The leaders are also expected to encourage joint research in critical and emerging technologies and explore ways to integrate their industrial value chains to reduce vulnerabilities in key sectors. Besides the annual India-Japan summit statement, the two sides are expected to issue a joint declaration on economic security cooperation, a separate statement on AI, and an outcome document on energy resilience.

Mobility key pillar of international cooperation: EAM

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

EXTERNAL Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar on Tuesday said India views mobility as a key pillar of international cooperation rather than merely a means of facilitating overseas employment, as the country expands migration partnerships to meet global demand for skilled workers.

Addressing the Human Resource Mobility Forum in New Delhi, Jaishankar said changing demographic trends, rapid technological advances and the green transition were reshaping the global workforce and creating new opportunities for international talent mobility.

"India's mission for mobility is not limited to facilitating overseas employment opportunities. We view mobility as an important pillar of international cooperation," he said.

CORRUPTION

Jammu and Kashmir Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) on Tuesday caught two revenue officials red-handed, while allegedly accepting a bribe of ₹70,000 here, an official said.

2 DEAD OF ELECTROCUTION IN UP'S BALLIA DISTRICT

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	27	14	Mumbai	28	23
Bhopal	26	10	Panaji	32	20
Jaipur	23	11	Patna	17	09
Amritsar	12	06	Lucknow	18	09
Chennai	28	21	Port Blair	28	24
Kolkata	23	14	Imphal	22	10
Srinagar	09	-3	Chandigarh	17	09

Invites Leh Apex Body & Kargil Democratic Alliance leaders • 1st visit after start of dialogue

MHA team in Leh for talks on July 2

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

A week after a shutdown in Ladakh on a call by the Leh Apex Body (LAB) and the Kargil Democratic Alliance (KDA) over the Centre's alleged backtracking on the decisions agreed upon during the May 22 meeting, the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) has invited leaders of the Union Territory for an informal sub-committee meeting in Leh on July 2.

"We have been invited by the MHA for informal talks in Leh on July 2," LAB co-chairman Chering Dorjay said on Tuesday.

It is for the first time that an MHA team will visit Ladakh to hold talks after the start of a dialogue process between the Centre and leaders of LAB and KDA, who are spearheading an agitation for grant of 6th Schedule status and statehood with legislature for the Ladakh UT.

"No agenda has been set for the July 2 meeting, but we will focus on issues that were agreed upon during the May 22 subcommittee meeting in New Delhi," Dorjay said. "We will emphasise that commitments made by the MHA, including constitutional safeguards under Article 371 A, G and F, and establishment of a democratic governance structure for Ladakh with legislative, administrative and financial powers and proposed executive body to be headed by a chief minister, should be fulfilled," he said.

According to Dorjay, the LAB has prepared a draft proposal for a new Union Territory-level elected body vested with legislative, financial and executive powers along with constitutional safeguards under Article 371. The draft will first be shared with the KDA, which has also prepared its own proposal. "Both the groups will discuss the drafts, arrive at a consensus and submit a joint proposal to the MHA for further deliberations," he said.

The LAB and KDA leaders have also urged the MHA to honour the "in-principle" agreements reached during the May 22 meeting and make the official minutes of meeting (MoM) public. The Ladakh MP Haji Haneefa Jan was also present during the talks.

According to the joint statement, MHA officials explained that the only reason why Ladakh cannot be made a state at the moment is that it currently lacks adequate revenue generation to meet the revenue expenditures like salaries of employees. However, the new setup will lead Ladakh towards full statehood when it meets the revenue criteria, it said. The KDA co chairman and LAB co chairman had stated that they look forward to working out finer operational details with the MHA in consultation with legal and constitutional experts.

On June 23, a shutdown was observed across Ladakh UT in response to a bandh call by the LAB and the KDA, amalgam of political, social, religious, trade, students and civil society groups of Leh and Kargil districts, to protest against the Centre's alleged backtracking on key decisions by failing to incorporate key points agreed during May 22 talks.

The two groups accused the government of widening a "trust deficit" by failing to include key understandings reached during talks on May 22 MoM. They also criticised the administration led by the Lieutenant Governor, alleging that decisions on issues including liquor policy, land, power, transport and tourism had been taken without consulting locals.

Since the abrogation of Articles 370 and 35A and bifurcation of erstwhile Jammu and Kashmir state into two Union territories, the LAB and KDA are jointly spearheading an agitation for grant of the 6th Schedule staus, statehood with legislature, separate Lok Sabha seats for Leh and Kargil districts, and a Public Service Commission for Ladakh. The outcome of the July 2 meeting is likely to determine the future course of dialogue.

Draft proposal for new UT-level elected body

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PM Awas Yojana houses razed to make way for MLA Colony in C'garh

EJAZ KAISER @ Raipur

HIGH drama unfolded at Nakti village under Nava Raipur Development Authority layer-2 area as a massive administrative contingent, flanked by a heavy police force and a fleet of JCB bulldozers, flattened over 80 houses, clearing land designated for a proposed "Vidhayak Colony" (MLAs' Colony).

The eviction target was an area in Nakti village where the 80 houses stood; some had reportedly been built decades ago under government housing schemes like the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY).

The drive left scores of underprivileged families homeless, triggering despair and intense scuffles between furious residents and the police.

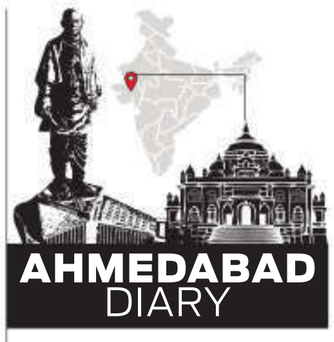
The administration classified these structures as illegal encroachments on government land. As heavy machinery ripped through walls and roofs, women broke down in tears, trying to salvage their belongings. Protesting villagers tried to block the authorities, leading to physical altercations with the deployed police units.

The Congress lost no time in cornering the administration over the timing of the action. Launching a political jibe at the BJP's internal dynamics, former CM Bhupesh Baghel asserted that the administration's defiance of Raipur BJP MP Brijmohan Agarwal—who had reportedly promised no demolition during the monsoon season— reveals a widening rift within the ruling party.

Baghel said the villagers were unaware of the lack of coordination between CM Vishnu Deo Sai and MP Agarwal.

To mitigate the severe backlash and address the immediate crisis of displacement, the administration announced a rehabilitation package. Officials stated that the seized household goods are being securely routed to an Economically Weaker Section (EWS) residential colony in Naya Raipur, where the affected families will be allotted alternative permanent housing.

Demolished houses



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Two civic bodies come under public scrutiny

Demolitions, denials and a big food bill have pushed two of Gujarat's biggest municipal corporations into the spotlight, raising serious questions over accountability and public money. In Surat, the Gujarat High Court questioned the roles of the police, the Municipal Corporation and Torrent Power after over 100 homes were demolished, even as the civic chief claimed no demolition order was ever issued. In Rajkot, outrage erupted over a ₹27.20 lakh food bill linked to a three-day demolition drive, featuring ₹231/kg kaju-katli sweets, ₹6.30 lakh worth of tea and biscuits, and a ₹20.68 lakh restaurant bill, prompting an official probe and public scrutiny.

Breakfast duty ends in transfer controversy

A breakfast errand has snowballed into a full-blown police controversy in Vadodara, exposing allegations of misuse of authority and workplace harassment within the force. As per sources, the row erupted after a police inspector allegedly ordered a constable to bring breakfast repeatedly. When asked a third time, the constable refused, saying it was not part of his duty and accused the officer of harassment. The PI reportedly escalated the matter to a senior officer, who threatened the constable with a transfer. Sources said the constable filed a complaint in Gandhinagar against the PI and an SP-rank officer, turning the row into a high-profile internal battle.

Trouble over VIP welcome to UP MLA

A flashy VIP welcome of a UP MLA in Surat has landed in legal trouble after a convoy of over 10 luxury cars allegedly violated multiple traffic and security rules. The high-profile procession, organised to receive an Uttar Pradesh MLA at Surat Airport, reportedly rolled out without police or administrative permission, disrupting traffic from Udhna-Magdalla Road to the airport. Adding to the row, the vehicles allegedly had illegal black window film despite a nationwide ban. After videos of the convoy went viral, Surat Police swiftly identified and seized four key vehicles, removed the prohibited tint on the spot, and launched legal action for multiple violations.

FOUR INJURED

Boy dies as tree falls on school bus in Mumbai

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

A routine trip back home from school quickly turned tragic as an 11-year-old boy died and four other students, including a four-year-old girl, were injured after an old peepal tree fell on the school bus in the Chembur area of Mumbai on Tuesday.

The incident occurred at 2:58 pm near a building on Road No. 11, when the school bus was ferrying 13 students of Universal High School to their homes, officials said.

Fire Brigade and other agencies managed to evacuate all 13 students. The bus driver, conductor, and local residents also joined them. The five injured students, aged between 4 and 12 years, were rushed to a nearby private hospital.

Former BMC mayor and Shiv Sena corporator Kishori Pednekar claimed that she had complained about this tree and had asked the BMC authorities to look into the matter. She demanded strict action against those responsible.

Mumbai Mayor Ritu Tawade has ordered a detailed inquiry into the incident and assured that action would be taken if any negligence was found.

According to local residents, recent concretisation of the road may have weakened the tree roots, leading to accident.

Cops deny permission to TMC's 'Martyrs' Day' rally in Kolkata on July 21

SUBHENDU MAITI @ Kolkata

IN a setback to both factions of the Trinamool Party (TMC), the Kolkata Police on Tuesday denied permission to hold the annual mega "Martyrs' Day" rally near Victoria House at Esplanade on July 21, citing public inconvenience caused by traffic disruptions in the area.

This comes as a shocker to Mamata Banerjee, who has been organising the rally since 1993, when 13 youth Congress members were killed in police firing during the Left rule in Bengal. She was with the Congress then and broke away in 1998 to form TMC.

Lalbazar, the Kolkata police headquarters, informed both factions of the TMC, led by Mamata Banerjee, and her rival camp, led by Ritabrata Banerjee, that no political rallies blocking one of the city's busiest thoroughfares would be allowed at the Esplanade venue from now on. Both the rival factions had approached the police separately, seeking its permission for holding the rally.

The development came a day after police registered a case against TMC MLA Kunal Ghosh and party's Rajya Sabha MP Dola Sen who were found inspecting the venue for the rally, allegedly obstructing the vehicular traffic movement in the area. Both Ghosh and Sen are loyal to Mamata.

While addressing the state Assembly on Monday, CM Suvendu Adhikari accused Ghosh and Sen of visiting the site and conducting measurements without prior police approval.

Suvendu suggested they go to the Brigade Parade Grounds for holding the rally if they expected a massive turnout.

After suffering a crushing defeat in the assembly elections, the Trinamool Congress is grappling with an unprecedented internal crisis that got aggravated with formation of a rival camp of more than 65 rebel party MLAs led by Ritabrata, a legislator from the Uluberia Purba constituency in Howrah, who claimed to be 'real Trinamool'.

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Another jolt to Uddhav as son's close aide joins Shinde

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

AFTER losing six Lok Sabha MPs to defections, Shiv Sena (UBT) chief Uddhav Thackeray suffered another setback on Tuesday as party MLC **Sachin Ahir** filed his nomination as the Mahayuti candidate for the Maharashtra Legislative Council deputy chairperson's election.

Ahir, a close associate of Shiv Sena (UBT) MLA and former minister Aditya Thackeray, informed party leaders of his decision through a message on Tuesday morning. Leader of Opposition in the Legislative Council Ambadas Danve said Ahir told him he was compelled to leave the party and join the Shiv Sena led by Deputy Chief Minister Eknath Shinde for his "political survival and future." Danve described Ahir's decision as "quite surprising".

The MLA's exit is seen as a blow to Aditya Thackeray, as Ahir retains influence in parts of the Worli constituency, which Thackeray currently represents.

Ahir began his political career as a labour union leader before joining the Sharad Pawar-led NCP. He served as the party's Mumbai unit president and represented the Worli Assembly constituency for three terms. He is also the nephew of alleged gangster Arun Gawli. Political observers believe he could emerge as the Shiv Sena candidate against Aditya Thackeray in the 2029 Assembly elections from Worli.

Shiv Sena (UBT) MLC Sunil Shinde said the development was shocking as Ahir had attended the party's campaign strategy discussions until Monday night. "If he did not remain loyal to Sharad Pawar, who made him an MLA and minister, how can anyone expect him to remain loyal to Shiv Sena (UBT)? As long as the people and Shiv Sena cadre are with Uddhav Thackeray, we are not worried about such defections. People are supreme in a democracy and will not tolerate self-interest and morally corrupt politics," Shinde said.

Sources said Ahir's move could be followed by more defections, with other Shiv Sena (UBT) MLCs reportedly in touch with Eknath Shinde. They said Ahir was worried about his political future as the Shiv Sena (UBT) leadership lacked the urgency to reclaim the party's legacy, while the Shinde-led Shiv Sena and the BJP were actively expanding their base by inducting leaders from rival parties and promoting new faces.

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Postman kept the post in curious case of Chamoli high hill's missing mail

NARENDRA SETHI @ Dehradun

'THE Postman Always Rings Twice', James Cain titled his noir novel in 1934. But in Chamoli, Uttarakhand, a real-life postman allegedly decided not to ring even once. For nearly 18 months, it appears, the only thing that moved faster than the mail was the mystery of where it had disappeared.

The curious case of missing mail has emerged from the Tungeshwar area of Tharali block in Uttarakhand's Chamoli district, where Himanshu, the postman, didn't deliver hundreds of important letters and parcels for nearly one and a half years, instead keeping them stuffed in sacks inside his private room.

The department has initiated an inquiry and suspended him. The matter has triggered anger among local residents, who have demanded strict action against the employee for alleged negligence.

Villagers claimed that three to four sacks recovered from the postman's room contained a large number of Aadhaar cards, PAN cards, bank ATM cards, banking documents, speed post articles and other important mail.

The trail of undelivered mail began with an ordinary roadside discovery when local resident Vinod Pandey reportedly found his daughter's Aadhaar card lying along Tungeshwar–Mal Bajwad road. "When I asked the postman how an important document was lying on the road, he did not give a satisfactory reply and kept avoiding the question," Pandey said.

Suspicious of the response, villagers inspected the postman's room, where they allegedly found sacks filled with undelivered mail. Angry residents accused the employee of deliberately neglecting his duty.

They now want all undelivered articles to be properly recorded and delivered to rightful recipients at the earliest.

Chamoli Superintendent of Post Offices Ajay Kumar asserted, "No postman is allowed to keep postal articles in his personal room."

What remains undelivered now, however, is Himanshu's answer to the obvious question: Why the postman never delivered the mail in the first place.

HIGH COURT

'Woman can't be denied IVF as husband overaged'

SUBHENDU MAITI @ Kolkata

THE Calcutta High Court has ruled that a woman eligible under the Assisted Reproductive Technology (ART) Act, 2021, cannot be denied in-vitro fertilisation (IVF) treatment only because her husband is older than the prescribed age limit.

The HC was hearing the plea of a couple, married since 2014, who had been trying to have a child but were refused treatment by an IVF clinic because the husband was 57 years old. As per the ART Act, the maximum age for women to undergo IVF is 50 years, and for men, it is 55 years.

Justice Krishna Rao observed, "If the woman is not allowed to avail IVF citing Section 21(g) though she is eligible, then it will be injustice to her. For the ineligibility of the husband, the wife ought not to suffer. This is so because the husband has no physical participation in any of the procedures involved for the birth of the child through ARTs." The clinic was asked to provide IVF treatment.

The HC also said that apart from being a supportive partner to the lady, the man does not have any role in the birth of the child.

'Man has no role in child birth'

The High Court said that apart from being a supportive partner, the man does not have any role in the birth of the child. "The lady acts as the gestational carrier. The medical report of the lady suggests that she is physically fit to hold the embryo, i.e she is eligible to avail ARTs."

'Mother can't seek test to settle adult son's paternity'

MUKESH RANJAN @ Ranchi

A 14-year legal battle over a DNA test in a matrimonial dispute ended after the Jharkhand High Court declined to order the test, observing that the child whose paternity was under challenge had attained adulthood during the litigation.

Justice Anubha Rawat Choudhary on Monday dismissed a petition filed by Lakhan Kumar Mandal, who had challenged a 2011 order of a Giridih family court rejecting his request for a DNA test to determine whether the boy was his biological son.

The HC noted that once the child became an adult, his mother could no longer consent to a DNA test on his behalf. Since the petitioner never impleaded the child after he attained majority, the court said it could neither compel him to undergo the test nor draw any adverse inference against the mother if the son refused.

"In the present case, if an order for DNA test of the child, who has attained majority during the pendency of this case, is passed now, his independent right to establish his paternity and his legitimacy may not arise at a later stage as and when he attains majority....," stated the HC order.

Mandal married Foolmati Devi on July 12, 2000. After his return from Surat where he worked, he found his wife pregnant and then accused her of adultery.

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SALE CUM E - AUCTION NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT, 2002

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provision to Rule 8(6) & 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the **Symbolic Possession** of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of Central Bank of India, (Secured Creditor), **will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** basis through online web portal **https://baanknet.com** for recovery of below mentioned amount due to the Central Bank of India, Secured Creditor from the below mentioned Borrowers and Guarantors/ Mortgagors

Borrower: Mr.P.Sivaramakrishnan, S/o.P.Parthiban, **Guarantor: Mrs.P.Chithra,** W/o.Mr.P.Parthiban, **Both at :** Plot No.8, Old Door No.9, New Door No.49, Ethiraj Swamy Salai, Erukkanchery, Chennai - 600 118, **Mr.P.Parthiban (Since Deceased) (Represented by legal representatives), Mr.P.Sivaramakrishnan,** S/o.P.Parthiban, **Mrs.P.Chithra,** W/o.Mr.P.Parthiban, **Both at :** Plot No.8, Old Door No.9, New Door No.49, Ethiraj Swamy Salai, Erukkanchery, Chennai - 600 118.

Demand Notice dated **06.11.2024** / Total Dues **as on 30.06.2026 is** ₹ **3,22,98,051/-** excluding Legal Charges with interest thereon and costs incurred. Possession Notice Date : **05.02.2025**

DESCRIPTION OF THE MORTGAGED PROPERTIES

Property No.1: All that piece and parcel of the property bearing **Land to an Extent of 2414 Sq.ft,** inclusive of **Building Consisting of Ground Floor** to the extent of **2414 Sq.ft, upper Ground Floor to the extent of 410 Sq.ft and First Floor to the extent of 2414 Sq.ft, situated in Anna Nagar, Omakulam Mathur (post),** Survey No.17/2B, New S.No.17/9, Patta No.1808 of **No.40, Mathur Village, Madhavaram Taluk, Chennai-600 068** (Previously Puzhal, Ambattur Taluk, Thiruvallur District) bearing **Plot No.57,** and situated within the Registration District of Chennai North and Sub Registration District of Thiruvotriyur with Boundaries: North by: Plot No.58, South by: Plot No.56, East by: 24 feet Road, West by: Vacant Land

RESERVE PRICE ₹ **72,00,000/-** **EMD** ₹ **7,20,000/-** **Bid Increase Amount** ₹ **20,000/-**

PROPERTY No.1 **Date & Time of E-Auction : 23.07.2026**
Timing: 11.00 a.m. to 04.00 p.m.

Last date for submission of EMD is 23.07.2026, 3.30 p.m

Property can be inspected by the prospective bidders on for 21.07.2026 from 10.00 a.m to 4.00 p.m.

Property No.2: All that piece and parcel of the property bearing **land to an extent of 1502 Sq.ft, along with Building** consisting of **Ground Floor and First Floor,** situated in Survey No.80/4, **Ethiraj Swamy Salai, Erukkanchery, Chennai-601 118,** bearing **Old Door No.9, New Door No.49, bearing Plot No.8** and situated within the Registration District of Chennai North and Sub Registration District of Madhavaram, with Boundaries: North by: 50 ft Road (now Encroached By Third Parties) South by: Plot No.9, East by: 50ft Ethiraj swamy Road, West by: land in Survey No.81

RESERVE PRICE ₹ **1,39,00,000/-** **EMD** ₹ **13,90,000/-** **Bid Increase Amount** ₹ **50,000/-**

PROPERTY No.2 **Date & Time of E-Auction : 05.08.2026**
Timing: 11.00 a.m. to 04.00 p.m.

Last date for submission of EMD is 05.08.2026, 3.30 p.m

Properties can be inspected by the prospective bidders on for 04.08.2026 from 10.00 a.m to 4.00 p.m.

For downloading further details and terms & conditions, please visit, E-Auction Service Provider: **https://baanknet.com (OR)** Bank's website: **https://www.centralbankofindia.co.in.**

For Inspection of Properties and other details, Prospective Bidders may contact **Central Bank of India, Sembiam, Chennai, Authorized Officer/Branch Head, Mobile No. 89399 75821** during office hours i.e.,10.00 a.m to 04.00 p.m. on working days.

Statutory 15 Days & 30 Days Sale Notice under Rule 8(6) & 9(1) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002.
The borrower/s and Mortgagor/s are hereby notified to pay the sum as mentioned above along with up to date interest and ancillary expenses, **before the date of e-Auction,** failing which the property will be auctioned/sold and balance dues, if any, will be recovered with interest thereon and cost incurred.

Place : Chennai **Authorised Officer**
Date : 30.06.2026 **Central Bank of India**

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e-Bidding Tender Notice

Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution Company Limited (MSEDCL) is inviting bids for setting up 2000 MW/4000 MWh Battery Energy Storage Systems under tariff based competitive Bidding on e- Bidding portal (website htttps://www.bharat-electronictender.com) as per the guidelines issued by MoP Government of India to mitigate Renewable Purchase Obligation (RPO)/Renewable Consumption Obligation (RCO). The Schedule of bid process is as follows:-

Particulars	Date	Time
Availability of bid document on portal	30.06.2026	13.00 Hrs
Pre-bid meeting	08.07.2026	12.00 Hrs
Last date for submission of Technical & Financial bids	22.07.2026	17.00 Hrs

For more details of Notice for Invitation of Tender (NIT), please visit to htttps://www.bharat-electronictender.com or www.mahadiscom.in

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Tender No. & Description of Material	Estimated Amount (in Rs. Lakhs) / Tender Fee (in Rs.) Excluding GST	Due Date & Time (Hrs.) for Submission & Opening of Tender
SP/T-0505/0626 RFX No. 5000001572 [7th Call] for Procurement of 2x200MVA, 400/220/20kV, 1-Φ ICT along with RIP/RIS Bushing and New Uninhibited High Grade Mineral Insulating Oil for 400kV Kalwa Sub-Station under Vashi Zone.	3486.06	20.07.2026 17:00 Hrs.
	25,000.00	20.07.2026 17:15 Hrs.
Pre Bid Meeting Date & Venue:	**Date :** 06.07.2026 **Time :** 14:30 Hrs.	**Venue :** 8th Floor, MSETCL, Prakashgnaga, BKC, Bandra (E), Mumbai

Contact Person: Office of the Executive Engineer (Gr-V) CPA, C.O. MSETCL, 1st Floor, Prakashgad Building, Bandra (E), Mumbai. Tel. No.: 022-69852717/69852720
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E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE – SYMBOLIC FRESH SALE

Pursuant to taking possession of the secured asset mentioned hereunder by the Authorized Officer of Piramal Finance Ltd (Formerly Piramal Capital & Housing Finance Ltd.) under the **Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002** for the recovery of amount due from borrower/s, offers are invited by the undersigned for purchase of immovable property, as described hereunder, which is in the possession, on **'As Is Where Is Basis', 'As Is What Is Basis'** and **'Whatever Is There Is Basis',** Particulars of which are given below:

Loan Code / Branch/ Borrower(s) / Co-Borrower(s) / Guarantor(s)	Demand Notice Date and Amount	Property Address _final	Reserve Price	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) (10% of RP)	Outstanding Amount (24-06-2026)
Loan Code No.: HLSA0004568A, Chennai - Kodambakkam (Branch), Dhanalakshmi. (Borrower), E Krishnamurthy (Co Borrower 1)	Dt: 24-01-2025, Rs. 1181161/-, (Rs. Eleven lakh Eighty One Thousand One Hundred Sixty One Only)	All The piece and Parcel of the Property having an extent :- Plot No.19, S No.268/2B, Lakshmi Ganpati Temple, Mangalambiga Nagar, Alias Tower City, Pudhumavilangai Village, Kadambathur Village, Perambakkam Taluk, Tiruvallur Tamil Nadu, 631203 Boundaries As :- North :- 30 Feet Road West :- 23 Feet Road East :- Plot No.10 South :- Plot No.18	Rs. 1430000/-, (Rs. Fourteen lakh Thirty Thousand Only)	Rs. 143000/-, (Rs.One lakh Forty Three Thousand Only)	Rs. 1484665/-, (Rs.Fourteen lakh Eighty Four Thousand Six Hundred Sixty Five Only)

DATE OF E-AUCTION: 11-08-2026, FROM 11.00 A.M. TO 1.00 P.M (WITH UNLIMITED EXTENSION OF 5 MINUTES EACH), LAST DATE OF SUBMISSION OF BID: 10-08-2026, BEFORE 4.00 P.M.
For detailed terms and conditions of the Sale, please refer to the link provided in www.piramalfinance.com/e-Auction.html or email us on piramal.auction@piramal.com

STATUTORY 30 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT TO THE BORROWER/GUARANTOR / MORTGAGOR
The above-mentioned Borrower/Guarantor are hereby noticed to pay the sum as mentioned in section 13(2) notice in full with accrued interest till date before the date of auction, failing which property will be auctioned/sold and balance dues if any will be recovered with interest and cost from borrower/guarantor.
The Borrowers attention is drawn towards sub-section 8 of section 13, of the act, in respect of the time available, to redeem the secured asset.
Borrowers in particular and public in general may please take note, that in case the auction scheduled herein fails for any reason whatsoever then the secured creditor may enforce its security by the way of private treaty.
Date : 01.07.2026 | Place : Chennai RPU **Sd/- (Authorised Officer) Piramal Finance Limited.**

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— Sundaram Finance Group —

Regd Office: No. 21, Patullos Road, Chennai - 600 002.
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Branch Office: No. 51, 1st Floor, G S T Road,(Near MIT Bridge), Chrompet, Chennai - 600 044.

DEMAND NOTICE

(Under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (SARFAESI) Act 2002)

The under mentioned parties are hereby informed that the Company has initiated proceedings against each of you under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, that the notices under Section 13(2) of the Act sent to each of you separately by Regd. Post Ack. Due have been returned unserved. Hence both of you are hereby called upon to take notice to pay jointly and severally the outstanding amount within 60 days from the date of this publication, failing which the Company will proceed against the below mentioned properties to realize its dues with interests and costs as contemplated under the Act. Needless to mention that this notice is addressed to you without prejudice to any other remedy available to the Company.

Sl. No.	Name & Address of Borrower & Co-Borrower	File No. Amount (Outstanding Rs.)	Description of the Secured Property
1	**Mr. Jayachandran S (Borrower)** Plot No. 7/4 G-2 4th Block, Chandraprabhu Village, Kvic Nagar Sembakkam, Chennai – 600073. **Mrs. Revathi K (Co-Borrower)**	**File No. CHR20250032, Rs. 52,00,242/-** (As on 13/06/2026) along with further interest, Cost and other charges etc., if any till actual date of payment)	Residential Apartment No.T-2 In The Third Floor In The Building "VISHNU LUXE FLATS", Measuring an extent of 1331 Square Feet, together With 513 Square Feet Undivided Share of Land out of 3098 Square Feet, together with one number car parking space., splay at South West Corner, Plot No. D, Comprised In S. NO.73/2B, Old Patta No.955, As Per New Patta No.8737, The Sub Division S. No.73/2B2, Situated at Sembakkam Village, Kalathumedu Street, Tambaram Taluk, Kanchipuram District, Now Chengalpattu District, Within The Registration District Of Tambaram And Sub-Registration District Of Selaiyur. **Bounded on the:** North BY: Vacant Land, South By: Plot No. C, East By: Vacant Land, West By: 20 Feet Wide Road. **Measurements:** East To West On The Northern Side: 80 Feet 6 Inches, East To West On The Southern Side: 71 Feet, North To South On The Eastern Side: 36 Feet 10 ½ Inches, North To South On The Western Side: 30 Feet 9 Inches + 14 Feet 1 ½ Inches. Layout Approval Planning Permit No.453/2010, Office Letter No.PPA/412/2010, Dated 6.9.2010, Building Plan Approved Vide SR 009/CP/23-24/0035943, BP No.009/BL/2023/03/039/01044.

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DEMAND NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13[2] OF THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002

You, the under mentioned Borrowers / Mortgagors is hereby informed that the company has initiated proceedings against you under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and that the Notice under 13 (2) of the Act sent to you by Registered Post Ack. Due for Borrower/s has been returned undelivered. Hence, you are hereby called upon to take notice and pay the outstanding loan amount mentioned against the said account with interest accruing there from within 60 days from the date of this publication, failing which the company will proceed against you by exercising its right under Sub-Sec (4) of Section 13 of the Act by enforcing the below mentioned security to realize its dues with interests and costs. It is needless to mention that this notice is addressed to you without prejudice to any other remedy available to the company.

Loan Account Nos. X0HECHE00002358868, X0HECHE00003091961, X0HECHE00003841538, X0HECHE00004647889, HE01CHE00000046757, XVFPCHN00005990317; **Name and Address of the Borrower/s & Co Borrower/s** : 1. Mr. D. RAMKUMAR (Applicant), 2. Mrs. G. ARCHANA (Co-applicant), 3. Mr. D. THIYAGARAJAN (Co-applicant), 4. Mr. D. TATABAI (Co-applicant), 5. Mr. J. DHANUSKOTI (Co-applicant), 6. Mrs. D. UMA MAHESWARI (Co-applicant), 7. M/S. SRI SAI KRUBA LADIES HOSTEL (REPRESENTED BY ITS PROPRIETOR ARCHANA) (Co-applicant), 8. M/S. NAMMA CHENNAI BIRIYANI (REPRESENTED BY ITS PROPRIETOR RAMKUMAR) (Co-applicant), ADDRESS: PLOT NO.3, PERIYAR NAGAR, 4TH STREET IRUMBULIYUR, TAMBARAM, CHENNAI – 600 045, 9. M/S. RJM AGENCIES (REPRESENTED BY ITS PROPRIETOR RAMKUMAR) (Co-applicant), NO. 36/9, KALAMEGAM EXTENSION, EAST TAMBARAM, CHENNAI – 600 059.; **Loan Amount:** Rs.1,64,50,000/-; **Date of Demand Notice & Amount Outstanding :** 24-06-2026 & Rs.14,460,051.00/- as on 24-06-2026 together with interest thereon.

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY : Property Belongs to 1. Mr. D. Ramkumar (Applicant) & 2. Mrs. D. Uma Maheshwari (Co-Applicant) :- All that Piece and Parcel of Land and building bearing Plot No.3, Comprised in Survey No. 19/1, 19/1A2 measuring with an extent of 2331 Sq.ft., situated at Block No. 23, Periyar Nagar, Irumbuliyur Village, Tambaram Taluk, Kancheepuram District and bounded on the: North by : Road South by : Property belongs to Shanmugam East by : Plot No.4, West by : Plot No. 3, Measuring East to West on the Northern Side : 34 Feet East to West on the Southern Side : 38 Feet North to South on the Eastern Side : 66 Feet North to South on the Western Side : 63 Feet Situated within the Sub Registration District of Tambaram and Registration District of Chennai South.

Date : 01-07-2026 **Authorized Officer**
Place : CHENNAI **For Cholamandalam Investment and Finance Company Limited**

BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II CHENNAI

6th Floor, Additional Office Building, Sasthri Bhavan, Haddows Road, Nungambakkam, Chennai - 600 006.

O.A. No.90 of 2026

Indian Bank, IFSC No.IDIB000I010, CMDA Branch, CMDA Towers, No.1, Gandhi Irwin Road, Egmore, Chennai - 600 008, Rep. by its Branch Manager ...**Applicant**

Versus

(1) Ms. A. Saranya, D/o N. Arun, Plot No.E-69, 15th 3rd Cross Street, Periyar Nagar, Chennai - 600 082.
(2) Mr. N. Arun, S/o Mr. Nagan, Plot No.E-69, 15th 3rd Cross Street, Periyar Nagar, Chennai - 600 082.
(3) Mrs. Elizabeth Jayakumari, W/o N. Arun, Plot No.E-69, 15th 3rd Cross Street, Periyar Nagar, Chennai - 600 082.
(4) Mr. A.S. Logamurthy, No.2/221, TVK Street, T K Patta, Redhills, Chennai - 600 052.
(5) Mr. C. Kollamettan, Parasakthi nagar, Thiruvalangadu Village, Thiruthani Taluk, Thiruvallur - 631 210.
(6) Ms. A. Divya, D/o N. Arun, Plot No.E-69, 15th 3rd Cross Street, Periyar Nagar, Chennai - 600 082. ...**Defendants**

NOTICE

Please take notice that the above O.A. No.90/2026 filed by Indian Bank, CMDA Branch, came up for hearing before the Hon'ble Registrar, DRT-II, Chennai on 22.06.2026 and the Hon'ble Tribunal was pleased to order notice to the above 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 6th defendants in the O.A., returnable by **14.08.2026.**

Therefore take notice to be present on **14.08.2026** at 11.00 a.m either in person or by duly authorized agent or Advocate before the Hon'ble Debts Recovery Tribunal-II, at 6th Floor, Additional Office Building, Shastri Bhavan, Haddows Road, Nungambakkam, Chennai - 600 006, without fail, otherwise the matter will be determined exparte in your absence.

Registrar
Debts Recovery Tribunal-II Chennai.

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Piramal Finance

PIRAMAL FINANCE LTD.
CIN: L65910MH1984PLC032639
Registered Office: Unit No.-601, 6th Floor, Piramal Amiti Building, Piramal Agastya Corporate Park, Kamani Junction, Opp. Fire Station, LBS Marg, Kurla (west), Mumbai-400070 –T +91 22 3802 4000
Branch Office: Kalpalathika Towers", Third Floor, New No.36, Old No.24, Dr.Ambethkar Road, Ashok Nagar Main Road, Kodambakkam, Chennai - 600 024. **Contact Person: 1. Piramal Finance Ltd - 022-69482444**

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE – PHYSICAL SUBSEQUENT SALE

Pursuant to taking possession of the secured asset mentioned hereunder by the Authorized Officer of Piramal Finance Ltd (Formerly Piramal Capital & Housing Finance Ltd.) under the **Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002** for the recovery of amount due from borrower/s, offers are invited by the undersigned for purchase of immovable property, as described hereunder, which is in the possession, on **'As Is Where Is Basis', 'As Is What Is Basis'** and **'Whatever Is There Is Basis',** Particulars of which are given below:

Loan Code / Borrower(s) / Co-Borrower(s) / Guarantor(s)	Demand Notice Date and Amount	Property Address _final	Reserve Price	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) (10% of RP)	Outstanding Amount (24-06-2026)	Date of Inspection
Loan Code No.: 21300041151, Chennai - Kodambakkam (Branch), Nirmal Kumar P (Borrower), Manju N (Co Borrower 1)	Dt: 24-09-2021, Rs. 6954305/-, (Rs. Sixty Nine lakh Fifty Four Thousand Three Hundred Five Only)	All The piece and Parcel of the Property having an extent :- Door No 1/593(as Per Tax Receipt 1/593a) Gandhi Street Jallaidanpet Chennai Chennai Tamil Nadu :- 600100 Boundaries As :- North :- Vacant land West :- Individual house East :- Vacant land South :- 10ft passage & Gandhi Street	Rs. 10611000/-, (Rs. One Crore Six lakh Eleven Thousand Only)	Rs. 1061100/-, (Rs.Ten lakh Sixty One Thousand One Hundred Only)	Rs. 15135095/-, (Rs.One Crore Fifty One lakh Thirty Five Thousand Ninety Five Only)	13-07-2026
Loan Code No.: 28000000204, Chennai - Nanganallur (Branch), Sivakumar G (Borrower), Chinnammal S (Co Borrower 1)	Dt: 19-11-2019, Rs. 4095085/-, (Rs. Forty lakh Ninety Five Thousand Eighty Five Only)	All The piece and Parcel of the Property having an extent :- Flat No H, 3rd Floor, Hema Heights Pranav Foundation, gnt Road Panjetty, Ponneri Chennai Chennai Tamil Nadu - 601204 Boundaries As :- North :- Property belongs to K, Kumari & Padmavath West :- Road{GNT} East :- Property in S.no.220 South :- Property belonging to Hati{S.no.237/2B2}	Rs. 2160000/-, (Rs. Twenty One lakh Sixty Thousand Only)	Rs. 216000/-, (Rs.Two lakh Sixteen Thousand Only)	Rs. 9145152/-, (Rs.Ninety One lakh Forty Five Thousand One Hundred Fifty Two Only)	13-07-2026
Loan Code No.: 28000000203, Chennai - Nanganallur (Branch), Sivakumar G (Borrower), Chinnammal S (Co Borrower 1)	Dt: 21-01-2020, Rs. 4043582/-, (Rs. Forty lakh Forty Three Thousand Five Hundred Eighty Two Only)	All The piece and Parcel of the Property having an extent :- Flat No 1, 3rd Floor, Hema Hides, Pranav Foundation, gnt Road Thatchur Kuttu Road, panjetty, Ponneri, chennai, Chennai-601204 Boundaries As :- North :- Property belongs to K, Kumari & Padmavath West :- Road{GNT} East :- Property in S.no.220 South :- Property belonging to Hati{S.no.237/2B2}	Rs. 2160000/-, (Rs. Twenty One lakh Sixty Thousand Only)	Rs. 216000/-, (Rs.Two lakh Sixteen Thousand Only)	Rs. 8864048/-, (Rs.Eighty Eight lakh Sixty Four Thousand Forty Eight Only)	13-07-2026
Loan Code No.: 01000006244, Chennai - Kilpauk (Branch), Sasikala Kumari S (Borrower), Rajesh R (Co Borrower 1)	Dt: 20-07-2021, Rs. 1676638/-, (Rs. Sixteen lakh Seventy Six Thousand Six Hundred Thirty Eight Only)	All The piece and Parcel of the Property having an extent :- Flat no.T-9, 3rd floor, Block 3 NA Compact homes Manjari Compact homes Manjari Mevalurkuppam Kanchipuram Tamil Nadu IN 602117 Boundaries As :- North :- as per lsr West :- as per lsr East :- as per lsr South :- as per lsr	Rs. 1062000/-, (Rs. Ten lakh Sixty Two Thousand Only)	Rs. 106200/-, (Rs.One lakh Six Thousand Two Hundred Only)	Rs. 2754744/-, (Rs.Twenty Seven lakh Fifty Four Thousand Seven Hundred Forty Four Only)	13-07-2026
Loan Code No.: 21300042139, Chennai - Kodambakkam (Branch), Seetharaman S (Borrower), Pathmasri P (Co Borrower 1)	Dt: 12-05-2021, Rs. 1944978/-, (Rs. Nineteen lakh Forty Four Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy Eight Only)	All The piece and Parcel of the Property having an extent :- Plot No 97 B, Flat No S1, 2Nd Floor Arsh Apartment, Bhavanipuram Kayarambedu Chennai Chennai Tamil Nadu :- 603202	Rs. 1269000/-, (Rs. Twelve lakh Sixty Nine Thousand Only)	Rs. 126900/-, (Rs.One lakh Twenty Six Thousand Nine Hundred Only)	Rs. 3924812/-, (Rs.Thirty Nine lakh Twenty Four Thousand Eight Hundred Twelve Only)	13-07-2026
Loan Code No.: 12800001093, Chennai - Porur (Branch), Lakshmanan D (Borrower), Balaji D (Co Borrower 1)	Dt: 25-09-2023, Rs. 2013786/-, (Rs. Twenty lakh Thirteen Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Six Only)	All The piece and Parcel of the Property having an extent :- Plot No 89(East Part) Balaji Avenue-2 Sitvated At 197 Neelamangalam Village Kattangulathur Panchayet Union Guduvancherry Chennai Tamil Nadu :- 603203 Boundaries As :- North :- Plot No 88 West :- Plot No 89 west part East :- Plot no 78 South :- 23 Feet Road	Rs. 1737000/-, (Rs. Seventeen lakh Thirty Seven Thousand Only)	Rs. 173700/-, (Rs.One lakh Seventy Three Thousand Seven Hundred Only)	Rs. 2728656/-, (Rs.Twenty Seven lakh Twenty Eight Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Six Only)	13-07-2026
Loan Code No.: HLSA00001C6B, Chennai - Porur (Branch), Suresh SUNDARRAJ (Borrower), Vijaya Ragavan Sundarraj (Co Borrower 1)	Dt: 17-08-2023, Rs. 2500340/-, (Rs. Twenty Five lakh Three Hundred Forty Only)	All The piece and Parcel of the Property having an extent :- Plot No. 212, Vembedu Village, Old S No. 29/7B, New S No. 29/7B1A1, Renukka Nagar, Landmark : Eachangadu Amman Temple Kanchipuram - 603110	Rs. 1846800/-, (Rs. Eighteen lakh Forty Six Thousand Eight Hundred Only)	Rs. 184680/-, (Rs.One lakh Eighty Four Thousand Six Hundred Eighty Only)	Rs. 3847326/-, (Rs.Thirty Eight lakh Forty Seven Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Six Only)	13-07-2026
Loan Code No.: 12800000870, Chennai - Porur (Branch), Rasool Deen N M (Borrower), Annapoorani S (Co Borrower 1)	Dt: 20-07-2021, Rs. 1522933/-, (Rs. Fifteen lakh Twenty Two Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty Three Only)	All The piece and Parcel of the Property having an extent :- Plot No 20, Flat No S2, 2Nd Floor, Purple Enclave, 2Nd Street, Devaraj Nagar, Anakaputhur Chennai Chennai Tamil Nadu :- 600070 Boundaries As :- North :- Plot No 21 West :- Plot No 16 East :- 20 Feet Road South :- Plot No 18 & 19	Rs. 1314000/-, (Rs. Thirteen lakh Fourteen Thousand Only)	Rs. 131400/-, (Rs.One lakh Thirty One Thousand Four Hundred Only)	Rs. 3045119/-, (Rs.Thirty lakh Forty Five Thousand One Hundred Nineteen Only)	13-07-2026
Loan Code No.: 01000004808, Chennai - Kilpauk (Branch), Sathyanarayanan Nithyanandham (Borrower), Nithyanatham Ramalingam (Co Borrower 1)	Dt: 12-05-2021, Rs. 1442324/-, (Rs. Fourteen lakh Forty Two Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Four Only)	All The piece and Parcel of the Property having an extent :- Plot No. 363 Nirmala Nagar Maruthavallipuram Group, Thozhuthavur Village Tiruvallur Tamil Nadu :- 602001	Rs. 1251000/-, (Rs. Twelve lakh Fifty One Thousand Only)	Rs. 125100/-, (Rs.One lakh Twenty Five Thousand One Hundred Only)	Rs. 2999960/-, (Rs.Twenty Nine lakh Ninety Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty Only)	13-07-2026
Loan Code No.: 17000000708, Chennai - Tambaram (Branch), Sampath P (Borrower), Bhavani M (Co Borrower 1)	Dt: 26-06-2023, Rs. 2662386/-, (Rs. Twenty Six lakh Sixty Two Thousand Three Hundred Eighty Six Only)	All The piece and Parcel of the Property having an extent :- Flat No.T 1, Level 4Th Floor, Block C Tejas - Lake View Homes, Manthope Salai Siruseri / Navalur Kancheepuram Dist Chennai Tamil Nadu :- 603103 Boundaries As :- North :- Land In S.No.19 West :- Road & OSR park area East :- S.No.18 South :- Land In S.No.31	Rs. 3132000/-, (Rs. Thirty One lakh Thirty Two Thousand Only)	Rs. 313200/-, (Rs.Three lakh Thirteen Thousand Two Hundred Only)	Rs. 3612324/-, (Rs.Thirty Six lakh Twelve Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Four Only)	13-07-2026
Loan Code No.: 01000005062, Chennai - Kilpauk (Branch), Bose M (Borrower), Renugadevi B (Co Borrower 1)	Dt: 12-05-2021, Rs. 1411920/-, (Rs. Fourteen lakh Eleven Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty Only)	All The piece and Parcel of the Property having an extent :- Flat No F-3, First Floor Plot No 11, Sri Sai Avenue Kundrathur Sriperambudur Chennai Kanchipuram Tamil Nadu :- 600069	Rs. 1737000/-, (Rs. Seventeen lakh Thirty Seven Thousand Only)	Rs. 173700/-, (Rs.One lakh Seventy Three Thousand Seven Hundred Only)	Rs. 2864541/-, (Rs.Twenty Eight lakh Sixty Four Thousand Five Hundred Forty One Only)	13-07-2026
Loan Code No.: 15600000779, Chennai - Tambaram (Branch), Sai Babu Dudekula (Borrower), Priyanka A (Co Borrower 1)	Dt: 24-05-2021, Rs. 2408204/-, (Rs. Twenty Four lakh Eight Thousand Two Hundred Four Only)	All The piece and Parcel of the Property having an extent :- Flat No K 510, 5Th Floor, Block K Amar Prakash - Temple Waves - Phase I Kundrathur Main Road Thirumudivakkam, Chennai Chennai Tamil Nadu :- 600044 Boundaries As :- North :- S No 628 West :- S No 628 & 721 / 2 East :- S No 628, 707 / 1B, & 707 / 3 South :- S No 628, 707 / 1B & 707 / 3	Rs. 2052000/-, (Rs. Twenty lakh Fifty Two Thousand Only)	Rs. 205200/-, (Rs.Two lakh Five Thousand Two Hundred Only)	Rs. 4732462/-, (Rs.Forty Seven lakh Thirty Two Thousand Four Hundred Sixty Two Only)	13-07-2026
Loan Code No.: 08400000219, Chennai - Teynampet (Branch), Marla Margaret (Borrower),	Dt: 19-08-2020, Rs. 2946190/-, (Rs. Twenty Nine lakh Forty Six Thousand One Hundred Ninety Only)	All The piece and Parcel of the Property having an extent :- Plot No.1611b, Flat No.f2, Ff, 6th Cross Ram Nagar South, Madipakkam, Chennai Chennai Tamil Nadu :- 600091 Boundaries As :- North :- by Pavalam, Plot no.1611A West :- by 30' Road East :- by Plot no.1613A South :- by Plot no.1610A, Punitha	Rs. 3470000/-, (Rs. Thirty Four lakh Seventy Thousand Only)	Rs. 347000/-, (Rs.Three lakh Forty Seven Thousand Only)	Rs. 5137232/-, (Rs.Fifty One lakh Thirty Seven Thousand Two Hundred Thirty Two Only)	13-07-2026

DATE OF E-AUCTION: 17-07-2026, FROM 11.00 A.M. TO 1.00 P.M (WITH UNLIMITED EXTENSION OF 5 MINUTES EACH), LAST DATE OF SUBMISSION OF BID: 16-07-2026, BEFORE 4.00 P.M.
For detailed terms and conditions of the Sale, please refer to the link provided in www.piramalfinance.com/e-Auction.html or email us on piramal.auction@piramal.com

STATUTORY 15 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT TO THE BORROWER/GUARANTOR / MORTGAGOR
The above-mentioned Borrower/Guarantor are hereby noticed to pay the sum as mentioned in section 13(2) notice in full with accrued interest till date before the date of auction, failing which property will be auctioned/sold and balance dues if any will be recovered with interest and cost from borrower/guarantor.
The Borrowers attention is drawn towards sub-section 8 of section 13, of the act, in respect of the time available, to redeem the secured asset.
Borrowers in particular and public in general may please take note, that in case the auction scheduled herein fails for any reason whatsoever then the secured creditor may enforce its security by the way of private treaty.
Date : 01.07.2026 | Place : Chennai RPU **Sd/- (Authorised Officer) Piramal Finance Limited.**

DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-III

6th Floor, Additional Office Building, Shastri Bhawan, Haddows Road, Nungambakkam, Chennai - 600 006

TRC No. 463/2023 **E-AUCTION SALE** **Dated: 30.06.2026**

The under mentioned property will be sold by on line E-Auction through website **https://www.bankeauctions.com** for recovery of a sum of ₹ **18,76,61,564.01** (Rupees Eighteen Crore Seventy Six Lakhs Sixty One Thousand Five Hundred Sixty Four and Paise One Only) **as on 15.06.2026** from **M/s.Urappa Foodpark Pvt. Ltd. & 5 Others payable to Indian Overseas Bank, ARM Branch in O.A.No.194/2015.**

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTIES

Schedule-D: All that piece and parcel of **Punja lands** admeasuring **2.005 acres** of extent bearing in R.S.No.160/1A Punja land in the New Patta No.3730 measuring **1.37.0 hectares and in acres of 3.38 out of 2.005 acres** situated in **Ambalakaranpatty Revenue Village, SRO, Melur Taluk,** Sub Division No.77 of Madurai North Registration District and bounded on the North by : Muthuraman and Alagu Punja, South by: Road, East by: Krishnan Punja, West by: Meyvasagam Punja, All these land are situated within the Sub-Registration District of Melur.

Schedule-F: All that piece and parcel of the immovable property being **land and building** measuring an extent of **1830 Sq.ft** or thereabouts, comprised in Punja S.No.131/1A part, S.No.as per Patta 131/1A1A, Block No.25, Patta No.1454, **Sengulam Village, Thirumangalam Taluk, Madurai District** within Sub Registration District of Thirumangalam and in the Registration District of Madurai South, presently situated at **Plot No.6, Old Door No.61/C, New Door No.29C-3, Ward-A, Anna Nagar, 8th Street, (Nagasamy Nagar), Thirumangalam-625 706,** measuring North to South on the Eastern side: 45.85 Feet, North to South on the Western Side: 45.85 Feet, East to West on the Northern side: 40.00 Feet, East to West on the Southern side: 40.00 Feet And bounded on the North by: Immovable Property owned by Sethuraman and others, South by: 20 Feet Common Passage, running from East to West, East by: Plot No.5 (Property owned by Chintamani Ammal), West by: Plot No.7.

Karur Vysya Bank

ASSET RECOVERY BRANCH
New No.2/1 and 2/2, 1st Floor, Angadi Street, Venkatesapuram Colony, Ayanavaram, Chennai-600023
e-Mail ID: arbchennai@kvbmail.com Mob: 89398 69789

POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable Property)

Issued under Rule 8(1) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Whereas, The undersigned being the **Authorized Officer of The Karur Vysya Bank Limited** under the Securitization & Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a **Demand Notice Dated 09.03.2026** calling upon the **Borrower: 1.Mrs.Muniyammal,** 28 Muthumariyamman Kovil Street, Thandalam, Maduranthakam- 603306, **Guarantor: 2.Mr.Sudhakar M,** 24 Arignar Anna Street, Morapakkam Post, Madurantakam – 603306 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being ₹ **21,22,010/-** (Rupees Twenty One Lakhs Twenty Two Thousand and Ten Only) within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the **undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below** in exercise of powers conferred on him under sub-section (4) of section 13 of Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement) Rules, 2002 **on this the 29th Day of June of the year 2026.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **The Karur Vysya Bank Limited** for an amount of ₹ **16,22,010/-** (Rupees Sixteen Lakhs Twenty Two Thousand and Ten Only) and further interest costs and expenses thereon from 01.02.2026

The Borrower's & Guarantor's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of Residential / Non-Agricultural Land to an extent of **6135 Sq.Ft** situated at , **Door No.24**, Gramma Natham SF No.337/Part, New Survey No.339/7, Patta No.92, **Arignar Anna Street, Thandalam Village, Perumbakkam Panchayat, Maduranthakam Taluka, Chengalpattu District with House Building** constructed thereon. Boundaries: North by: Plot belongs to Mr.Veeran, South by: Plot belongs to Kuppan, East by: Revenue Canal, West by: Thar Road.

Date : 29.06.2026 **AUTHORISED OFFICER**
Place: Chennai **The Karur Vysya Bank Ltd.**

OFFICE OF THE ENGINEER-IN-CHIEF (CIVIL), ODISHA NIRMAN SOUDHA, UNIT-V, BHUBANESWAR

E-mail ID: cebuildings_orissa@yahoo.co.in, cebuildings@rediffmail.com, Tel. -(0674)- 2391523

INVITATIONS FOR BIDS (IFB)

File No-B-I-Home-17/2026 **Lr. No.- 22230 / Bhubaneswar, the 23rd June, 2026**
34001/417/2627

Invitation for Bids

Bid Identification No. CE-Bldg-II-18/2026-27

1.	The Chief Engineer, Buildings-II (I/c), Odisha, Bhubaneswar, on behalf of Governor of Odisha, invites percentage rate bids in double cover system in ONLINE MODE only, for the works, **(1) "Construction of Court Building at Nimapara" & (2) "Construction of 36 Nos. of E-Type staff Qrs. (Block-I (S+3) and Block-II (S+2)) at Sonepur"** as detailed below.		
2.	Nature of work	:	Building Works
3.	No. of work	:	02 Nos.
4.	Bid Cost.	:	₹10,000/-
5.	Class of Contractor	:	'A'/ Special
6.	Availability of Bid Documents in the website	:	From dt.09.07.2026 to 17.00 Hours of dt.24.07.2026.
7.	Date of Opening of Bid	:	Dt.27.07.2026 at 11:30 AM.
8.	The Bidders have to participate in ONLINE bidding only. Further details can be seen from the website: https://tendersodisha.gov.in. Any addendum / corrigendum / cancellation of tender can also be seen in the said website only		

Sd/- Chief Engineer,
OIPR- 34001/34117/1/26-27/0036 **Buildings-II (I/c), Odisha,**

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

PALGHAT DIVISION

E-Tender Notice No. J-SG-OT-12-2026-662346 Dt : 12.06.2026

The Sr. Divisional Signal & Telecommunication Engineer, Southern Railway, Palghat - 678002 invites Open Tender through **"ONLINE"** tenders for the following work.

Sl. No.	Name of the work
1.	**Augementation of Block Working Arrangements by Provision of Solid State Block Instruments of lieu of Existing FM Block Instruments in POY-CNV and VNB NIL single line block sections of Palakkad Division along with Associated EI Alterations and other signalling works at POY and CNV Stations.**
2.	**App cost of Work : Rs. 14469883.92/-**
3.	**Bid security : Rs. 289400/-**
4.	**Cost of tender document : 0**
5.	**Validity of offer : 60 days**
6.	**Completion period : 12 months**
7.	**Date & Time of opening : After 15.00 hrs of 03.07.2026**

Detailed Tender Notice along with Terms & Conditions can be viewed over the web site **http://www.ireps.gov.in**

Sr. Divisional Signal & Telecommunication Engineer,
Southern Railway, Palghat - 678002
(For and on behalf of President of India)

BENGALURU WEST CITY CORPORATION

Office of the Executive Engineer, Zone-2, Special Division, 2nd Floor, 19th Main, 2nd Block, Rajajinagara, Bengaluru-560010.

No: EE/SD/TEND/10/2026-27 **Date: 30-06-2026**

INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT) - (SHORT TERM)

(Two Cover System) (Through GOK KPP Portal only)

The Executive Engineer, Special Division, Zone-2, BWCC, Bengaluru invites Bids from reputed Service Provider for the Service detailed below.

Sl. No.	Name of the Work
1	Providing / Outsourcing Graduate / Diploma Engineers for Bengaluru West City Corporation. **Estimated Amount (in Rs.): 2,78,51,505/- (Inclusive Service Charge), EMD Amount (in Rs.): 4,40,000/-**

Calendar of Events: 1) Tender documents may be downloaded from the GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal Website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in from 01-07-2026. 2)** Date and Time for Pre Bid Meeting on **04-07-2026 at 3.00 PM. 3)** Last Date and Time for Uploading Tenders in KPP Portal: **10-07-2026 upto 4.00 PM. 4)** Date and Time for Opening of Technical Bid: **13-07-2026 at 4.30 PM. 5)** Date and Time for Opening of Financial Bid: **14-07-2026 at 4.30 PM (if possible).** Further details can be had from the above office.

Sd/- Executive Engineer
Special Division, Zoen-2, BWCC.

ICICI Bank

Branch Office: ICICI Bank Limited, SP-24, Ambattur Industrial Estate, Chennai- 600058

PUBLIC NOTICE-TENDER CUM E-AUCTION FOR SALE OF SECURED ASSET

[See proviso to Rule 8(6)]
Notice for sale of immovable asset(s)

E-Auction Sale Notice for the sale of immovable asset(s) under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

This notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/ charged to the Secured Creditor, the Physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of ICICI Bank Limited will be sold on 'As is where is', 'As is what is' and 'Whatever there is' as per the brief particulars given hereunder;

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower(s)/ Co-Borrowers/ Guarantors/ Loan Account No.	Details of the Secured asset(s) with known encumbrances, if any	Amount Outstanding	Reserve Price / Earnest Money Deposit	Date and Time of Property Inspection	Date & Time of E-Auction
(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)
1.	Mr. Julice Busic K (Borrower) Mrs. Isabella Jayanthi J (Co-Borrower) Loan Account No. LBCHE00004982884/ LBCHE00005074803	Plot No. 11, 11A, 11B, Door No.21/9, Flat No. S1, 2nd Floor, Elangovadigal Street, Padmanabha Nagar, Choolaimedu, Chennai-600094. Residential Flat 3BHK, Built-up Area 1400.18 Sq.ft., UDS 450 Sq.ft.,	Rs. 1,18, 79,995/- As on (June 29, 2026)	Rs. 50,00, 000/- / Rs. 5,00, 000/-	July 12, 2026 From 11:30 AM To 12:30 PM	July 23, 2026 From 10:30 AM To 11:30 AM
2.	Shree Sai Aagro Traders (Borrower) Meenakshi M & Ravikumar P (Co-Borrower) Loan Account No. TBCHE00006985763	Flat No. F1, First Floor, Sivarams Hamilton, Block No.13, TNHB Road, Indira Nagar 28th Cross Street, Adyar, Chennai- 600020. Residential Flat Super built-up area 1596 Sq. ft., and 602 Sq.ft., of UDS	Rs. 4,37, 49,306/- As on (June 29, 2026)	Rs. 1,00,00, 000/- / Rs. 10,00, 000/-	July 13, 2026 From 11:30 AM To 12:30 PM	July 23, 2026 From 10:30 AM To 11:30 AM
3.	Shree Sai Aagro Traders (Borrower) Meenakshi M & Ravikumar P (Co-Borrower) Loan Account No. TBCHE00006985763	Flat No. S1, Second Floor, Sivarams Hamilton, Block No.13, TNHB Road, Indira Nagar 28th Cross Street, Adyar, Chennai- 600020. Residential Flat Super built-up area 1596 Sq. ft., and 601 Sq.ft., of UDS	Rs. 4,37, 49,306/- As on (June 29, 2026)	Rs. 1,00,00, 000/- / Rs. 10,00, 000/-	July 13, 2026 From 11:30 AM To 12:30 PM	July 23, 2026 From 10:30 AM To 11:30 AM

The online auction will take place on the website of e-auction agency M/s. Matex Technologies Private Limited. (URL Link- assets.matexauctions.com). The Mortgagors/ noticee are given a last chance to pay the total dues with further interest till July 22, 2026 before 05.00 PM failing which, this/these secured asset/s will be sold as per schedule.

The Prospective Bidder(s) must submit the Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Demand Draft (DD) (Refer Column E) at ICICI Bank Limited, SP-24, Ambattur Industrial Estate, Chennai- 600058 on or before July 22, 2026 before 03.00 PM and thereafter they need to submit their offer through the above mentioned website only on or before July 22, 2026 before 05.00 PM along with scan image of Bank acknowledged DD towards proof of payment of EMD. Kindly note, in case prospective bidder(s) are unable to submit their offer through the website then signed copy of tender documents may be submitted at ICICI Bank Limited, SP-24, Ambattur Industrial Estate, Chennai- 600058 on or before July 22, 2026 before 05.00 PM. Earnest Money Deposit DD/PO should be from a Nationalised/ Scheduled Bank in favour of "ICICI Bank Limited" payable at Chennai.

For any further clarifications with regards to inspection, terms and conditions of the e-auction or submission of tenders, kindly contact ICICI Bank Limited on 7550214251.

Please note that Marketing agencies 1. MatexNet Pvt Ltd, 2. Auction Bazaar., have also been engaged for facilitating the sale of this property.

The Authorised Officer reserves the right to reject any or all the bids without furnishing any further reasons. For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please visit www.icicibank.com/n4p4s

Date: July 01, 2026 Authorized Officer
Place: Chennai ICICI Bank Limited

STATE INDUSTRIES PROMOTION CORPORATION OF TAMIL NADU LIMITED

19-A, RUKMANI LAKSHMIPATHY ROAD, EGMORE, CHENNAI-600 008.
CIN U74999TN1971SGC005967

(ONLINE ONLY)

Tender Notice NIT.No.03/CD/T.No.03/2026-27 **Dt.30.06.2026**

For and on behalf of State Industries Promotion Corporation of Tamil Nadu Limited, tenders are invited under **"Two Cover System"** through online only for the following work from **qualified Bidders** having experience in similar nature of works as mentioned under. Tenders will be received upto **15.30 Hrs** (as per server system clock) on **03.08.2026** and the same will be opened at **15.30 Hrs** (as per server system clock) on **04.08.2026.**

Name of Work	Approx. value of work	EMD
Formation of Internal Roads including Construction of RCC Drain, Culverts and Providing street lights at SIPCOT Industrial Park, Gangaikondan, Phase-II.	**Rs. 12149.00 Lakhs** (including GST @18%)	**Rs.60,85,000/-***
* EMD shall be paid through **eBG** only (as per the list of banks attached in the Annexure-III)		
The tender schedule can be downloaded at free of cost from the website **https://tntenders.gov.in**		

DIPR / 2170 / TENDER / 2026 **MANAGING DIRECTOR**

GOVERNMENT OF TAMILNADU

HIGHWAYS DEPARTMENT

COIMBATORE CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE CIRCLE

TENDER NOTICE

Tender Notice No. 1 / 2026-27 / HDO, Dated 29.06.2026

For and on behalf of the Governor of Tamil Nadu, **Item Rate tender through online** will be received up to **05.08.2026, 10.30 Hours** by the Superintending Engineer (H), C&M, Coimbatore Circle for **Railway Works Programme - 2019-20** pertaining to **Coimbatore (H) C&M Division 2- 1 Work.**

Details of work, approximate value of work, EMD, availability of tender documents and all other details will be available in the Government website **https://tntenders.gov.in.** from **04.06.2026.** If any Changes / Corrections are made in the tender, it will be published in the above Government website only.

Superintending Engineer (H),
C&M, Coimbatore Circle.

DIPR /2159 / TENDER / 2026

Piramal Finance

PIRAMAL FINANCE LTD.
CIN: L65910MH1984PLC032639
Registered Office: Unit No.-601, 6th Floor, Piramal Amiti Building, Piramal Agastya Corporate Park, Kamani Junction, Opp. Fire Station, LBS Marg, Kurla (west), Mumbai-400070 –T +91 22 3802 4000
Branch Office: Kalpalathika Towers", Third Floor, New No.36, Old No.24, Dr.Ambethkar Road, Ashok Nagar Main Road, Kodambakkam, Chennai - 600 024. **Contact Person: 1. Piramal Finance Ltd - 022-69482444**

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE – SYMBOLIC SUBSEQUENT SALE

Pursuant to taking possession of the secured asset mentioned hereunder by the Authorized Officer of Piramal Finance Ltd (Formerly Piramal Capital & Housing Finance Ltd.) under the **Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002** for the recovery of amount due from borrower/s, offers are invited by the undersigned for purchase of immovable property, as described hereunder, which is in the possession, on **'As Is Where Is Basis', 'As Is What Is Basis'** and **'Whatever Is There Is Basis',** Particulars of which are given below:

Loan Code / Branch/ Borrower(s) / Co-Borrower(s) / Guarantor(s)	Demand Notice Date and Amount	Property Address _final	Reserve Price	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) (10% of RP)	Outstanding Amount (24-06-2026)
Loan Code No.: 17000000133, Chennai - Tambaram (Branch), Manikanda Prakash M (Borrower), Subhashini M (Co Borrower 1)	Dt: 15-06-2018, Rs. 2926595/-, (Rs. Twenty Nine lakh Twenty Six Thousand Five Hundred Ninety Five Only)	All The piece and Parcel of the Property having an extent :- Plot No 137, flat No S1, 2nd Floor Anandam's Coral, Arul Nagar, Guduvancheri Chennai Chennai Tamil Nadu 603202 Boundaries As :- North :- Plot No 126 West :- Plot No 138 East :- Plot No 138 South :- 24 feet road	Rs. 1260000/-, (Rs. Twelve lakh Sixty Thousand Only)	Rs. 126000/-, (Rs.One lakh Twenty Six Thousand Only)	Rs. 7092621/-, (Rs.Seventy lakh Ninety Two Thousand Six Hundred Twenty One Only)
Loan Code No.: 15600000132, Chennai - Tambaram (Branch), Rajesh S (Borrower), Anuradha Rajesh (Co Borrower 1)	Dt: 17-08-2024, Rs. 3342404.6/-, (Rs. Thirty Three lakh Forty Two Thousand Four Hundred Four Only and Sixty Paise)	All The piece and Parcel of the Property having an extent :- Flat No 3 N, Fourth Floor, Block No 26 asvini - Amanya, Nellikuppam Village Nellikuppam Main Road Nellikuppam Chennai Tamil Nadu :- 603108 Boundaries As :- North :- 149/6, 7, 287, 14910A1A, 149/11Pt West :- Thirupporur Main Road East :- 155, 152/5, 6, 157/7C7A Etc South :- Thirupporur Main Road	Rs. 1404000/-, (Rs. Fourteen lakh Four Thousand Only)	Rs. 140400/-, (Rs.One lakh Forty Thousand Four Hundred Only)	Rs. 4090521/-, (Rs.Forty lakh Ninety Thousand Five Hundred Twenty One Only)
Loan Code No.: HLSA0005786E, Chengalpattu (Branch), R Sankar (Borrower), S. Sathiya (Co Borrower 1)	Dt: 25-07-2024, Rs. 1149592/-, (Rs. Eleven lakh Forty Nine Thousand Five Hundred Ninety Two Only)	All The piece and Parcel of the Property having an extent :- Plot No.39, VSR Nagar, DTCP No.25/2015, S. No.23/2, 23/3A, Madurantakam, Kodithandalam Village, Kanchipuram-603111, Tamilnadu Boundaries As :- North :- Plot No.45 (Under Construction) West :- 23 feet Road East :- Plot No.68 South :- 40 feet Road	Rs. 1476000/-, (Rs. Fourteen lakh Seventy Six Thousand Only)	Rs. 147600/-, (Rs.One lakh Forty Seven Thousand Six Hundred Only)	Rs. 1571046/-, (Rs.Fifteen lakh Seventy One Thousand Forty Six Only)
Loan Code No.: 17000000788, Chennai - Tambaram (Branch), Ezhilarasi M (Borrower), Suresh M (Co Borrower 1)	Dt: 25-09-2023, Rs. 2129313/-, (Rs. Twenty One lakh Twenty Nine Thousand Three Hundred Thirteen Only)	All The piece and Parcel of the Property having an extent :- Flat No.S2, 2Nd Floor, Block-B, Plot No:A Kuppammal Street, Ganapathay Koil 15t St Kamaraj Nagar, Paruthipattu Vil Chennai Chennai Tamil Nadu :- 600071 Boundaries As :- North :- Road West :- DAV School East :- Road South :- Govindaswamy Naidu & Others	Rs. 1890000/-, (Rs. Eighteen lakh Ninety Thousand Only)	Rs. 189000/-, (Rs.One lakh Eighty Nine Thousand Only)	Rs. 3011584/-, (Rs.Thirty lakh Eleven Thousand Five Hundred Eighty Four Only)
Loan Code No.: 01000004144, Chennai - Kilpauk (Branch), Krishnaeswari V (Borrower), Velusamy V (Co Borrower 1)	Dt: 17-08-2024, Rs. 1654334.66/-, (Rs. Sixteen lakh Fifty Four Thousand Three Hundred Thirty Four Only and Sixty Six Paise)	All The piece and Parcel of the Property having an extent :- Old No 108, New No 29, S No 418 / 14 Nethaji Street, Mudichur Mudichur Chennai Chennai Tamil Nadu :- 600048 Boundaries As :- North :- Property B'Longs To Mr Harikrishnan West :- Property B'Longs To Mrs D Sudha East :- 6 Feet Passage South :- Property B'Longs To Mrs Gunasundhari / P	Rs. 5688000/-, (Rs. Fifty Six lakh Eighty Eight Thousand Only)	Rs. 568800/-, (Rs.Five lakh Sixty Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Only)	Rs. 2003996/-, (Rs.Twenty lakh Three Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety Six Only)
Loan Code No.: 12800001582, Chennai - Porur (Branch), Ramu K (Borrower), Amudha Ramu (Co Borrower 1)	Dt: 21-01-2020, Rs. 5023586/-, (Rs. Fifty lakh Twenty Three Thousand Five Hundred Eighty Six Only)	All The piece and Parcel of the Property having an extent :- No 33 Venkateshwara Nagar 3Rd Street Kodungaiyur Chennai Chennai Tamil Nadu 600118	Rs. 12015000/-, (Rs. One Crore Twenty lakh Fifteen Thousand Only)	Rs. 1201500/-, (Rs.Twelve lakh One Thousand Five Hundred Only)	Rs. 12065542/-, (Rs.One Crore Twenty lakh Sixty Five Thousand Five Hundred Forty Two Only)
Loan Code No.: 15600000972, Chennai - Tambaram (Branch), Rajaiah Patnam (Borrower), Merchitra Patnam (Co Borrower 1) Gethsemane Chem Private Limited (Co Borrower 2)	Dt: 24-01-2025, Rs. 3576324/-, (Rs. Thirty Five lakh Seventy Six Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Four Only)	All The piece and Parcel of the Property having an extent :- Plot No 111, Flat No F3, 1st Floor, Gangothiri Apartment, Semmozhi Street Venkateswara Nagar Perungalathur, Chennai Chennai Tamil Nadu :- 600048 Boundaries As :- North :- 20 Feet Road West :- Plot No 110 East :- Plot No 112 South :- Semmozhi Street	Rs. 1836000/-, (Rs. Eighteen lakh Thirty Six Thousand Only)	Rs. 183600/-, (Rs.One lakh Eighty Three Thousand Six Hundred Only)	Rs. 1718995/-, (Rs.Seventeen lakh Eighteen Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety Five Only)
Loan Code No.: 15600000973, Chennai - Tambaram (Branch), Rajaiah Patnam (Borrower), Merchitra Patnam (Co Borrower 1) Gethsemane Chem Private Limited (Co Borrower 2)	Dt: 24-01-2025, Rs. 3576324/-, (Rs. Thirty Five lakh Seventy Six Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Four Only)	All The piece and Parcel of the Property having an extent :- Plot No 111, Flat No S1, 2nd Floor Gangothiri Apartment, Semmozhi Street Venkateswara Nagar, Perungalathur, Chennai Chennai Tamil Nadu :- 600063 Boundaries As :- North :- Semmozhi Street West :- Plot No 110 East :- Plot No 112 South :- Panchayat Road	Rs. 2826000/-, (Rs. Twenty Eight lakh Twenty Six Thousand Only)	Rs. 282600/-, (Rs.Two lakh Eighty Two Thousand Six Hundred Only)	Rs. 2710114/-, (Rs.Twenty Seven lakh Ten Thousand One Hundred Fourteen Only)
Loan Code No.: 12800000716, Chennai - Porur (Branch), Chandrasekar G (Borrower), Diviya Lakshmi G (Co Borrower 1)	Dt: 17-08-2024, Rs. 4956580.69/-, (Rs. Forty Nine lakh Fifty Six Thousand Five Hundred Eighty Only and Sixty Nine Paise)	All The piece and Parcel of the Property having an extent :- Apartment No 22, 3rd Floor, Block No 2 Door No 86 & 87, Hansa Bellissimo Erukanchery High Road Erukkancheri, Chennai Tamil Nadu - 600118 Boundaries As :- North :- Erukkanceri High Road West :- T.S.No.2/1 & 2/2 (Old Survey No 108) East :- T.S.No.5 & 6 (Old Survey No 104 & 106/2) South :- T.S.No.16 (Old Survey No.107)	Rs. 3447000/-, (Rs. Thirty Four lakh Forty Seven Thousand Only)	Rs. 344700/-, (Rs.Three lakh Forty Four Thousand Seven Hundred Only)	Rs. 6356175/-, (Rs.Sixty Three lakh Fifty Six Thousand One Hundred Seventy Five Only)

DATE OF E-AUCTION: 17-07-2026, FROM 11.00 A.M. TO 1.00 P.M (WITH UNLIMITED EXTENSION OF 5 MINUTES EACH), LAST DATE OF SUBMISSION OF BID: 16-07-2026, BEFORE 4.00 P.M.

For detailed terms and conditions of the Sale, please refer to the link provided in www.piramalfinance.com/e-Auction.html or email us on piramal.auction@piramal.com

STATUTORY 15 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT TO THE BORROWER/GUARANTOR / MORTGAGOR

The above-mentioned Borrower/Guarantor are hereby noticed to pay the sum as mentioned in section 13(2) notice in full with accrued interest till date before the date of auction, failing which property will be auctioned/sold and balance dues if any will be recovered with interest and cost from borrower/guarantor.

The Borrowers attention is drawn towards sub-section 8 of section 13, of the act, in respect of the time available, to redeem the secured asset. Borrowers in particular and public in general may please take note, that in case the auction scheduled herein fails for any reason whatsoever then the secured creditor may enforce its security by the way of private treaty.

Date : 01.07.2026 | Place : Chennai RPU **Sd/- (Authorised Officer) Piramal Finance Limited.**

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FEDBANK FINANCIAL SERVICES LTD. AUCTION NOTICE

This is to inform the public at large that FEDBANK FINANCIAL SERVICES LTD. has decided to conduct Auction of Gold ornaments belonging to accounts (mentioned below) which are NPA (Non-performing Asset) or margin breach account/s or any account/s falling into the loan recall clause as specified in the **terms & condition** of the Loan. The Auction would be held as per the schedule provided below:

District auction date : 29-07-2026 **Online auction date : 31-07-2026**

BRANCH - AMBATTUR OT - Contact : 7548898865, **District - West Mambalam - Contact :** 8281847506, **FEDBD01790**000278, 000279, 000280, 000281, 000283, 000288, 000289, 000290, **FEDGL01790**007980, 007989, 007990, 007991, 007993, 007994, 007996, 007998, 008003, 008005, 008010, 008017, 008018, 008020, 008026, 008027, 008034, 008035, 008036, 008040, 008041, 008042, 008043, 008044, 008046, 008066, 008067, 008070, 008071, 008072, 008084, 008091, 008092, 008098, 008100, 008101, 008104, 008109, 008110, 008113, 008118, 008131, 008132, 008135, 008141. **BRANCH - ARUMBAKKAM - Contact :** 8825715976, **District - WEST MAMBALAM - Contact :** 8281847506, **FEDBD01710**000418, 000423, 000435, 000437, 000439, 000440, 000446, 000450, 000456, 000457, **FEDDS01710**000137, **FEDGL01710**011634, 011636, 011664, 011686, 011688, 011690, 011694, 011696, 011700, 011721, 011722, 011724, 011728, 011729, 011736, 011748. **BRANCH - AVADI - Contact :** 9543071752, **District - WEST MAMBALAM - Contact :** 8281847506, **FEDBD01650**000450, 000465, 000468, 000471, 000472, 000473, 000485, 000486, **FEDDS01650**000539, **FEDGL01650**010339, 010358, 010363, 010364, 010366, 010367, 010369, 010376. **BRANCH - MEDAVAKKAM - Contact :** 9095851519, **District - WEST MAMBALAM - Contact :** 8281847506, **FEDBD01890**000409, 000423, **FEDGL01890**008614, 008641, 008645, 008648, 008649, 008662, 008686, 008704, 008714, 008719, 008724, 008727, 008732, 008753, 008754, 008755, 008764, 008765. **BRANCH - NANGANALLUR - Contact :** 8778671808, **District - WEST MAMBALAM - Contact :** 8281847506, **FEDBD01700**000288, 000299, **FEDGL01700**011843, 011844, 011845, 011854, 011856, 011903, 011930, 011974, 012013. **BRANCH - PALLAVARAM - Contact :** 9551889191, **District - WEST MAMBALAM - Contact :** 8281847506, **FEDBD01680**000585, 000586, 000587, 000588, 000589, 000590, 000615, 000625, 000628, 000632, 000639, **FEDGL01680**011960, 011964, 011965, 011968. **BRANCH - PORUR - Contact :** 9790011627, **District - WEST MAMBALAM - Contact :** 8281847506, **FEDBD00250**000477, **FEDDS00250**000372, **FEDGL00250**007657, 007658, 007659, 007721, 007732, 007737, 007746, 007747, 007751, 007753, 007766. **BRANCH - WEST MAMBALAM - Contact :** 8281847506, **District - WEST MAMBALAM - Contact :** 8281847506, **FEDBD01720**000241, 000242, 000243, **FEDDS01720**000098, 000102, **FEDGL01720**007841, 007843, 007864, 007877, 007889. **BRANCH - KILPAUK - Contact :** 9043148288, **District - WEST MAMBALAM - Contact :** 8281847506, **FEDGL00160**010278, 010295, 010296, 010312. **BRANCH - KOLATHUR WEST - Contact :** 8098411762, **District - WEST MAMBALAM - Contact :** 8281847506, **FEDBD01690**000194, 000197, 000203, **FEDGL01690**007262, 007294. **BRANCH - MOGAPPAIR EAST - Contact :** 9677211285, **District - WEST MAMBALAM - Contact :** 8281847506, **FECDS02150**000002, , 000520, 000521, 000523, 000531, 000532, 000541, **FEDDS02150**000346, 000349, 000359, **FEDGL02150**006935, 006975, 006985, 006988, 006998, 007005, 007013, 007019, 007020, 007021, 007029, 007054, 007061, 007063, 007077, 007085, 007099, 007100, 007132, 007134. **BRANCH - MTH ROAD - Contact :** 7904237838, **District - WEST MAMBALAM - Contact :** 8281847506, **FEDBD00070**000442, 000452, 000454, 000459, 000475, **FEDGL00070**010663, 010679, 010698, 010709, 010710, 010711, 010713, 010723, 010724, 010726, 010734, 010743, 010763, 010764. **BRANCH - OLD WASHERMENPET - Contact :** 9487712296, **District - WEST MAMBALAM - Contact :** 8281847506, **FEDDS00260**000345, 000346, **FEDGL00260**011075, 011139, 011149, 011155, 011176, 011177. **BRANCH - PERAMBUR - Contact :** 9840441045, **District - WEST MAMBALAM - Contact :** 8281847506, **FEDBD02090**000589, 000604, 000613, 000616, 000617, 000620, 000625, 000626, 000631, 000639, 000652, 000653, 000654, 000656, **FEDGL02090**010120, 010126, 010131, 010140, 010144, 010154, 010174, 010175, 010176, 010179, 010180, 010190, 010188, 010191, 010195, 010197, 010199, 010204, 010216, 010218, 010223, 010231, 010233, 010236, 010245, 010270, 010271, 010273, 010274. **BRANCH - PONNERI - Contact :** 9025714303, **District - PONNERI - Contact :** 9025714303, **FEDBD06330**000034, 000037, 000040, **FEDGL06330**000239, 000245, 000254, 000273, 000276, 000289, 000293, 000297, 000298. **BRANCH - Redhills - Contact :** 8015949346, **District - West Mambalam - Contact :** 8281847506, **FEDBD04670**000398, 000405, 000407, 000410, 000411, 000412, 000425, 000426, 000429, **FEDGL04670**003472, 003511, 003512, 003513, 003515, 003516, 003517, 003544, 003584, 003590, 003591, 003592. **BRANCH - ROYAPURAM - Contact :** 9941481114, **District - WEST MAMBALAM - Contact :** 8281847506, **FEDBD01670**000516, 000540, 000555, 000559, **FEDGL01670**013461, 013467, 013474, 013477, 013479, 013482, 013500, 013501, 013520, 013522, 013531, 013532, 013534, 013535. **BRANCH - Tiruvottiyur - Contact :** 9443071442, **District - West Mambalam - Contact :** 8281847506, **FEDDS04580**000184, **FEDGL04580**002721, 002727, 002728, 002752

Change in Venue or Date, if any, will be displayed on our Website https://www.fedfina.com/gold-loan/special-sections/auction-venue/. Customer who want to release their ornaments shall visit any of the above branch/es or contact at the number mentioned above on/or before auction Date subject to the terms and condition applicable. Auction will be conducted at respective Districts. In case the auction does not get completed on the given date due to any reasons, the auction in respect thereto shall be conducted on subsequent working days at district level as per above schedule. This would continue till the auction process is over. On failure of the first offline auction at Districts level, auction will also be initiated through the E-auction platforms of SAMIL **https://gold.samil.in** and/or e-Procurement Technologies Ltd. (AuctionTiger) - **https://egold.auctiontiger.net/.**

All participating bidders will be intimated subsequently with respect to acceptance or rejection of bids submitted by them.

Dated : 01st July 2026 **For, sd/- Authorised Signatory**
Place : CHENNAI **Fedbank Financial Services Ltd.**

BEFORE THE HON'BLE DEBT RECOVERY TRIBUNAL - III, AT CHENNAI

6th Floor, Additional Office Building, Sasthri Bhavan, Haddows Road, Nungambakkam, Chennai - 600 006.

O.A. No.484 of 2025

Indian Bank, Indira Nagar Branch, Rep. by its Branch Manager, #43, F1, 1st Avenue, Indira Nagar, Adyar, Chennai - 600 020, IFSC : IDIB000K204 **...Applicant**

-Vs-

(1) M/s. ANISHA TRADERS, Rep by its Sole Proprietor, Mr. A. Batusha, At 1st Floor, No.3/5, Shaik Ali Subedar Street, Periamet, Chennai - 600 003.
(2) Mr. A. Batusha, At 1st Floor, No.3/5, Shaik Ali Subedar Street, Periamet, Chennai - 600 003.
Also at : Door No.103, Jinna Nagar, Begampur, Dindigul - 624 001. **...Defendants**

PAPER PUBLICATION TO DEFENDANTS

The above Original Application was filed by the applicant bank for the recovery of a sum of Rs.54,29,550.76 from the defendants. The OA was numbered as OA No.484/2025. The summons to the defendants was returned. Hence, the Ld Registrar of this Hon'ble Tribunal had directed the applicant bank to take substituted service through Paper Publication, returnable by 30.07.2026. Hence, the defendants are hereby directed to appear before this Hon'ble Tribunal on 30.07.2026 either in person or through an Advocate, failing appearance, the matter will be decided on merits in your absence, without any further notice.

M/s P.V. Murlidhar, P.M. Surendhar,
Mobile No.9840165259, Counsel for the Applicant

EASTERN RAILWAY

e-Tender Notice No.: NIT/02/26/35, Dated : 29.06.2026. Principal Chief Materials Manager, 17, Netaji Subhash Road, 2nd Floor, Fairlie Place, Kolkata-700001, Eastern Railway invites e-Tenders for supply of the following items:

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14 children
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London	13	9	SNY	Washington	31	21	SNY

Iran rules out direct talks as US envoys arrive in Doha

Qatar says mediators will facilitate talks; no high-level meets planned

DUBAI

Two US envoys arrived in Qatar on Tuesday for talks with mediators about the implementation of an initial deal to end the war in Iran, an official said. The visit by Steve Witkoff, US President Donald Trump's special West Asia envoy, and Jared Kushner, his son-in-law, comes after a weekend of crossfire in the Persian Gulf over efforts to reopen the Strait of Hormuz to shipping traffic.

The envoys will not be having direct negotiations with Iranian diplomats while in Qatar's capital, Doha, said Majed al-Ansari, a spokesman for Qatar's Foreign Ministry. Instead, mediators are working for the time being as go-betweens for the talks, which won't include any high-level officials, he added. Such indirect negotiations have happened in the past between Iran and the US However, the two previous rounds of talks collapsed into the 12-day war Israel launched against Iran in 2025 and the recent Iran war.

"We're not expecting any high-level Iranian officials at the moment, but as I said, the technical meetings are ongoing ... and they haven't stopped since then," al-Ansari told journalists at a weekly news conference. Iran was also sending a delegation to Qatar this week. Iran's Foreign Ministry spokesman Esmail Baghaei said Tuesday that Iran has had no plans for a meeting with the American side at any level in the coming days.

The US and Iran agreed to an interim deal earlier this month that calls for Tehran to dilute its stockpile of enriched uranium. It also waives US-backed oil sanctions on the country, calls for free traffic through the Strait of Hormuz and gives each side 60 days to hammer out broader agreements.

A fifth of the world's oil was shipped through the Strait of Hormuz before the war began Feb. 28. Iran's attacks and threats stopped cargo ships and tankers from moving through the strait, creating a global energy crisis. *AP*

FILE: US Special Envoy Steve Witkoff and Donald Trump's son-in-law Jared Kushner | AFP

WAR WATCH

Iran to hold talks with Qatar on frozen assets

TEHRAN: Iran will hold talks with mediator Qatar on Wednesday on the release of its frozen assets, a key provision of its memorandum of understanding with the US, Tehran said. Foreign ministry spokesman Esmaeil Baqaei denied reports of any meeting with US officials in Doha, saying discussions would be held only with Qatar. Iran has made the release of blocked funds a condition for a lasting end to the conflict. The agreement also envisages lifting US sanctions and access to restricted assets abroad.

UAE lifts weeks-long ban on Lebanon travel

Dubai: The UAE has lifted its travel ban on Lebanon, allowing Emirati nationals to visit the country from Monday after weeks of restrictions imposed during the West Asia war. The foreign ministry asked travellers to register on its consular services platform before departure. The UAE had suspended travel to Lebanon, Iraq and Iran in April over regional security concerns. While flights between Tehran and Dubai have resumed, the UAE has not lifted its travel ban on Iran. The restrictions followed heightened regional tensions.

Body blow to Trump as US Supreme Court upholds birthright citizenship

WASHINGTON

A divided Supreme Court on Tuesday upheld a broad conception of birthright citizenship, rejecting Donald Trump's executive order declaring that children born to people who are in the United States illegally or temporarily are not American citizens.

The justices relied on a long-settled understanding of the 14th Amendment, adopted after the Civil War, and more recent federal laws in ruling that anyone born in the country, with very limited exceptions, is a citizen. "Citizenship, then and now, was the right to have rights—to freely participate in our political community. The Framers of the Fourteenth Amendment extended that promise to 'every free-born person in this land,'" Chief Justice John Roberts wrote for the court, citing congressional debate over the amendment, "We keep that promise today."

Three conservative justices would have allowed the restrictions to take effect. "The Court today takes the extraordinary step of holding facially unconstitutional the President's Order excluding from citizenship the children of foreign temporary visitors and illegal aliens," Justice Clarence Thomas wrote in a 91-page dissent, more than three times as long as Roberts' opinion. "In doing so, the Court adds to the sad history of the Fourteenth Amendment, which was designed and understood to secure equal rights for the freed blacks but has instead been repurposed for political projects that the Reconstruction Congress did not support."

Donald Trump condemned the ruling and called on the Republican-controlled Congress to enact legislation restricting birthright citizenship. "We can easily make it up in Congress through legislation," he wrote on Truth Social. *AP*

Decades-old limits on coordinated party spending struck down

Political parties can now spend unlimited amounts in coordination with congressional and presidential candidates after a US high court on Tuesday struck down decades-old spending limits. The 6-3 decision, prompted by a Republican-backed lawsuit involving Vice President JD Vance, overturned campaign finance restrictions previously upheld in 2001, drawing opposition from the court's liberal justices.

State bans on trans athletes competing on female teams upheld

The court also upheld state laws barring transgender girls and women from competing on female school sports teams, ruling that bans in Idaho and West Virginia do not violate the Constitution or the federal anti-discrimination law, Title IX. Writing for the 6-3 conservative majority, Justice Brett Kavanaugh said states could reserve women's sports for biological females to ensure safety and competitive fairness.

This aerial view shows buildings destroyed following twin earthquakes in Caraballeda, La Guaira State, Venezuela | AFP

Venezuela faces mounting health crisis as toll tops 1,940

LA GUAIRA

AID groups warned Tuesday that Venezuela's fragile healthcare system is being pushed to its limits nearly a week after two powerful earthquakes, with damaged and understaffed hospitals overwhelmed by the injured and deteriorating conditions in the disaster zone causing infectious diseases to spread.

The scores of international and domestic teams across Venezuela remain focused on the search for survivors, with the government death toll surpassing 1,940 and new bodies still being hauled from the rubble. Venezuelan officials said 6,461 people have been rescued since the earthquakes. However, a humanitarian crisis is already unfolding among the living. United Nations agencies expressed concern about the health effects of thousands of displaced people sleeping for days in the open or in crowded, unsanitary shelters.

Venezuelan officials say that more than 15,800 people have been affected by the earthquakes — a figure that reflects the official number of displaced people, UN refugee agency spokesperson Carlotta Wolf said on Tuesday.

Suddenly homeless Venezuelans are sleeping in cars, parks and elsewhere without adequate emergency shelter available.

Wolf said that number would continue to rise. Many of those displaced in the hardest-hit state of La Guaira are suffering from widespread food shortages, she said. At a media briefing in Geneva on Tuesday, World Health Organization spokesperson Christian Lindmeier said that displaced Venezuelans have become increasingly vulnerable to the outbreak of preventable diseases like measles, given the population's low vaccination rates, as well as waterborne illnesses like dengue, yellow fever and malaria now flaring the disaster's wake.

The Venezuelan healthcare system, strained by decades of underinvestment and years of economic crisis is "under extreme pressure now, with facilities operating beyond the capacity of the surge of the trauma cases," Lindmeier said.

According to the government, last week's earthquakes damaged or otherwise compromised 38 hospitals nationwide. WHO said it so far has evaluated 21 of those facilities, three of which are no longer operating. Another six have sustained damage and the rest are now buckling under a surge of trauma cases. *AP*

STARMER UNVEILS £298 BILLION DEFENCE OVERHAUL WITH FOCUS ON DRONES

LONDON: Britain's caretaker Prime Minister, Keir Starmer, on Tuesday unveiled a £298 billion defence investment plan focused on strengthening drone warfare capabilities before leaving office. The four-year package includes an additional £15 billion in spending and more than £5 billion for drone transformation, including autonomous systems and uncrewed ground vehicles. Starmer said defence spending was on track to reach 2.7% of GDP as US President Donald Trump pressed NATO members to spend 5% by 2035.

ASIA MATTERS

INDONESIA

SALT HUB PLAN TO PHASE OUT IMPORTS BY 2027

A community-based salt centre is being built in Pamekasan, East Java, to boost production and reduce imports by 2027. Officials said construction is underway in Majungan village as part of a national strategy for salt self-sufficiency. Backed by Rp7.9 billion in funding, the project includes a high-tech processing plant, upgraded salt ponds and quality improvements to meet industrial standards. Authorities expect the hub to raise output in one of the country's largest salt-producing regions, supporting consumption and industrial demand.

MALAYSIA

ARMY SUSPENDS LIVE-FIRE DRILLS

The army has suspended all heavy weapons live-fire training and launched an inquiry after two soldiers were injured in an explosion during an exercise at Hobart Camp. Investigators will examine human, technical and procedural factors. Initial findings found no breach of standard operating procedures during the drill.

THAILAND

FRENCH HONOURS FOR ROYAL COUPLE

King Maha Vajiralongkorn and Queen Suthida received France's highest civilian honours from Emmanuel Macron during a state banquet at the Élysée Palace in Paris. Macron awarded the King the Grand-Croix of the Légion d'Honneur and the Queen the Grand-Croix of the Ordre national du Mérite. The ceremony formed part of the royal couple's official state visit to France. Macron said the visit strengthened longstanding bilateral ties, before the King delivered a response at the banquet, attended by French First Lady Brigitte Macron and senior officials.

Bangladesh tribunal jails Hasina ally for 10 years

DHAKA

A Bangladeshi tribunal on Tuesday sentenced an ally of deposed former Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina to 10 years' imprisonment on charges of committing "crimes against humanity" during the 2024 street protests. Hasanul Haque Inu, a left-leaning politician, served as a minister in Hasina's coalition government from 2012 to 2018 but had no links to the regime since then.

A 1971 Liberation War veteran and president of Jatiya Samajtantrik Dal, Inu was accused of ordering police to kill six people in his home district, Kushtia, during the 2024 uprising, inciting attacks on protesters and maintaining telephonic links with Hasina, who fled to India in August 2024. Bangladesh's International Crimes Tribunal handed down the punishment to Inu as he stood trial in person on eight separate charges.

Other charges included incitement of "use of deadly force" against protesters and direct involvement in decisions for military deployment, curfew imposition and "shoot on sight" orders. The tribunal pronounced the verdict as police brought Inu from jail under heavy security. *PTI*

XENOPHOBIA FEARS GROW

Thousands rallied across South Africa against illegal immigration on Tuesday, with members of the Zulu regiment, or Amabutho, marching in Durban as police tightened security amid fears of violence and the government rejected activists' deadline for undocumented migrants to leave | AFP

EXPRESS READ

Trump nominates Keith Sonderling as labour secretary

WASHINGTON: Donald Trump nominated Keith Sonderling as labour secretary, promoting the acting department head two months after Lori Chavez-DeRemer resigned amid abuse-of-power allegations. Sonderling, a deputy labour secretary and Equal Employment Opportunity Commission commissioner, serves as acting director of the US Office of Government Ethics. His nomination requires Senate confirmation. Chavez-DeRemer resigned in April following investigations into alleged misuse of staff and resources, allegations she has denied.

€15 MILLION PURCHASE

Hidden for years, Etruscan masterpiece goes on display

ROME

ITALY on Tuesday put on display one of the best known examples of Etruscan painting, panels from a tomb that it acquired for 15 million euros in the Culture Ministry's buying spree of big-ticket pieces of the country's cultural heritage. The ministry announced in May that it had acquired the fresco panels, dating from the 4th century, from members of the Torlonia family, one of Italy's ancient noble families whose vast collection of antiquity has long been kept out of the public domain.

The Francois Tomb was discovered in 1857 by the French archaeologist Alessandro Francois in Vulci, on land owned by the Torlonia family. The frescoes were detached from the necropolis in 1863 and became part of the Torlonia private collection, while the contents of the tomb were divided up among Francois, colleagues and the family. The Italian government has been trying to get possession of the tomb since 1921, as part of its effort to bring back into the Italian public patrimony artifacts and antiquities that were acquired or looted during the boom of archaeological excavations in the 1800s and beyond.

The Etruscan Civilization occupied swaths of what is today central Italy for centuries was a major Mediterranean trading power. Much of it was destroyed by the subsequent Roman Empire. The tomb opens Wednesday at Rome's Villa Giulia National Etruscan Museum with jewels, Etruscan vases and other artefacts from museum collections worldwide. *AP*

'The Sacrifice of the Trojan Prisoners', a fresco dating from 330–310 B.C., exhibited in the reconstruction of the François Tomb, an Etruscan tomb, at the Villa Giulia Etruscan Museum in Rome | AP

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Online Examination – Preliminary	**August 2026**	**August 2026**
Result of Online exam – Preliminary	September 2026	September / October 2026
Online Examination – Main	**October 2026**	**November 2026**
Declaration of Result – Main Examination	November 2026	November 2026
Personality Test	**November 2026**	--
Conduct of interview	November / December 2026	November / December 2026
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Mumbai
Date: 01/07/2026
DIRECTOR

'West Asia crisis, uneven monsoon to pose downside risks to growth'

Inflationary pressures have started building following recent conflict in West Asia: FinMin

PUSHPITA DEY @ New Delhi

THE Ministry of Finance on Tuesday said uncertainties surrounding the southwest monsoon, emerging El Niño conditions and geopolitical tensions in West Asia are key risks to growth and inflation in the months ahead.

The ministry cautioned that while the economy continues to display resilience, these factors remain the biggest risks. In its Monthly Economic Review for June, released on Tuesday, the ministry said the economy remains on a stable footing despite early signs of moderation in industrial activity and rise in inflation, with easing crude oil prices and improving global supply chains helping soften some external pressures.

"While easing crude prices and improving global supply-chain conditions may help alleviate some external pressures, uncertainties surrounding monsoon and geopolitical developments in West Asia continue to pose downside risks to the growth and upside risks to the inflation outlook," the report said.

As per the review, inflationary pressures have started building following the recent conflict in West Asia, with global energy prices going up globally and that gradually trickled into the domestic economy, even as inflation remained within tolerance band. "However, given the ongoing West Asia crisis and subsequent global price shock, domestic inflationary pressures appear to be on an upward trajectory, as fuel and energy price shocks diffuse domestically," stated the review.

The ministry said the recent de-escalation of tensions in the region, coupled with lower crude and fertiliser prices, has eased pressure on government finances and thus, the government will be able to meet its commitment to fiscal consolidation road map for 2026-27.

Easing pressures on govt coffer

The government is optimistic that the recent de-escalation of tensions in the region, along with moderation in crude oil and fertiliser prices, will further ease the pressures, allowing fiscal consolidation to proceed

Minimal fiscal implication

With adequate policy measures taken to shield consumers and businesses from higher energy and commodity prices, there have been minimal fiscal implications, stated the report

> Domestic inflationary pressures appear to be on an upward trajectory, as energy price shocks diffuse domestically
>
> Finance ministry

EV penetration to surpass 8% in FY27: Tata Motors PV MD

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

ELECTRIC car sales will continue to grow, with their penetration in total passenger vehicle (PV) sales likely to surpass 8% in FY27 and reach 10% in FY28, said TMPV managing director Shailesh Chandra on Tuesday.

For Tata Motors Passenger Vehicle (TMPV), which dominated the electric car market with 40% share, Chandra said that their target to have 30% sales coming from EVs by FY31 remains intact.

"From 2.5% in FY25, 4.5% in FY26 and now to 7-7.5% in Q1 of FY27, the segment has evolved from early adopters to mainstream buyers," said Chandra while attributing the rise in EV sales to new models launches by OEMs, overcoming the the barriers that existed in different sub segment, and finally the Middle East crisis which acted as a force multiplier to an already growing EV industry.

Chandra stated that EV bookings for them have grown 3X what they were a year ago, and the company continue to ramp up production to meet the growing demand.

TMPV had recently unveiled a phased plan to raise its annual manufacturing capacity to 13 lakh units from around 9 lakh units. The home-grown automaker also outlined an ambitious growth roadmap, including planned capital expenditure of up to Rs 40,000 crore over the next five years, as it targets a 20% share in India's domestic passenger vehicle market by FY31.

On overall PV market, Chandra said that he remains confident that the industry will grow by about 10% in FY27 against the broader consensus of 5-6%. PV sales in India hit an all-time high in FY26, with wholesalers dispatching 4.64 million units, as per SIAM data.

TATA.ev, the EV arm of TMPV, on Tuesday launched the all-new Sierra.ev at an introductory starting price of ₹18.79 Lakh. The electric Sierra, competing against the likes of Maruti Suzuki e Vitara and Mahindra BE 6, is expected to push TMPV's EV volume, which stood more than 10,000 units in May and is likely to have risen by 30-40% in June.

"The mid-SUV segment sits at the heart of India's SUV market, shaped by a new generation of customers who see their vehicle as a reflection of their lifestyle, ambitions and identity. As Vs move firmly into the mainstream, desirability will be the defining catalyst for adoption," said Chandra. The Sierra EV is available with two battery pack options - 75kWh and 63kWh - and the claimed range for these versions stands at 665km and 565km (MIDC cycle), respectively.

THE ASEAN ANGLE

THAILAND

ECONOMIC GROWTH BROADLY STABLE IN MAY

Thailand's economic growth remained broadly stable in May on a monthly basis, buoyed by a recovery in the vital tourism sector and slightly improved domestic demand, the central bank said on Tuesday. According to the Bank of Thailand, overall tourism receipts increased, in line with higher inbound visitors, as supported by a rebound in long-haul markets alongside increased arrivals from China and Malaysia because of their long holiday periods. However, arrivals from other short-haul markets fell owing to lower demand and fewer flight services in the face of rising energy costs linked to the Middle East conflict, the central bank said in a statement.

MALAYSIA

MAY HEADLINE INFLATION UP AT 2% ON POWER PRICE

Higher electricity prices, resulting from a surcharge due to increased generation costs, contributed to Malaysia's headline inflation edging up to 2% in May, said Bank Negara Malaysia (BNM). In its Monthly Highlights for May 2026 released on Tuesday, the central bank said headline inflation rose to 2% in May from 1.9% in April, while core inflation remained stable at 2%. The slight rise in headline inflation reflected price developments of non-core items, particularly vegetables and power. Meanwhile, credit to the private non-financial sector grew by 6.4% in May, up from 5.8% in April, driven by businesses, as reflected in higher growth in outstanding corporate bonds and business loans.

PHILIPPINES

JUNE HEADLINE INFLATION PROJECTED AT 6-7%

The Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) projects headline inflation to settle within the 6-7% range in June. However, the central bank noted that higher electricity rates and vegetable prices could partly offset these downward price pressures. The BSP assured the public that it will remain vigilant and continue to be guided by incoming data, particularly on inflation and growth prospects. Headline inflation stood at 6.8 percent in May. "The BSP will continue to monitor recent developments in the Middle East for their implications for inflation and economic activity," it said.The Philippine Statistics Authority will release the June 2026 inflation data on July 7.

SINGAPORE

DBS INCREASES 2026 GDP GROWTH OUTLOOK TO 4.3%

DBS upgraded its outlook for Singapore's economy on Tuesday, raising its growth forecasts for this year and next, citing resilient first-half economic activity, easing geopolitical tensions in the Middle East and continued strength in the global artificial intelligence investment cycle. The lender expects Singapore's GDP to grow 4.3% in 2026, up from its previous forecast of 2.8%, while raising its 2027 projection to 3% from 2.3%. DBS said Singapore's economy had weathered disruptions stemming from the Middle East conflict better than expected, with growth likely remaining above 5%YoY in the second quarter after expanding 6% in the first quarter. The bank's nowcast suggests the economy entered the second half of the year with strong momentum.

'Demand for steel high even at higher prices'

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Chennai

AS the tensions cool down in West Asia, Chennai-based engineering conglomerate Sanmar Group said there is growing demand for steel even at elevated prices as the region is likely to witness need for steel and other materials for rebuilding the infrastructure, which was collapsed during the Iran-US crisis.

Narayan Sethuramon, vice chairman, Sanmar Matrix Metals, said, "Even at an elevated price of steel, we are seeing robust demand for the metals. The industry has seen non-availability of energy during the war. We are sure that there will be increased demand for all raw materials as the infrastructure has to be rebuilt in West Asia, which came down during the crisis."

As Sanmar Engineering, a subsidiary of Sanmar Group, commemorates 50th anniversary of its engineering business, the company said on Tuesday that it will open mechanical seal manufacturing plant in Thiruporur in the outskirts of Chennai on Wednesday. The company will inaugurate the plant's first phase, spread across 60000 sq.ft, in joint venture with US-based Xomox. The JV, Xomox Sanmar, already has a manufacturing plant in Viralimalai near Trichy. The Xomox

Sanmar is expanding capacity from 80,000 valves a year to 150,000 valves a year at its facility in Viralimalai.

Kotak to buy Deutsche India's retail, pvt banking, wealth biz

BENN KOCHUVEEDAN @ Mumbai

FOURTH-largest private sector lender Kotak Mahindra Bank on Tuesday said it will acquire Deutsche Bank India's retail, private banking and wealth business for a cash consideration of about ₹282 crore, marking the German lender's complete exit of customer facing banking businesses in the country. The deal includes ₹29,000 crore in loans and ₹16,000 crore in deposits while the wealth management business has about ₹10,500 crore in assets under management.

The deal, value of which is not disclosed by the lenders, is likely to close by September 2027, pending approvals, the lenders said in a joint statement on Tuesday. However, sources said the deal involves ₹282 crore in cash pay-in for the German bank.

In the past, Kotak Mahindra Bank had acquired ING Vysya Bank in November 2014 for ₹15,000 crore in an all-stock deal and in January 2025, it bought out the personal loans portfolio of the British lender Standard Chartered Bank India at a valuation of ₹4,100 crore. The bank was a front-runner to take over 62% of IDBI Bank earlier this year but backed out at the last stage citing higher valuation.

In a joint statement, the banks said they have entered into definitive agreements under which the German lender, which is the largest European bank in the country, will sell its retail banking, private banking and wealth management businesses to Kotak Bank.

SEMICONDUCTOR MISSION

GOVT PANEL TO CLEAR ₹1.25 LAKH CRORE OUTLAY FOR ISM 2.0

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

THE finance ministry is set to clear a budget proposal allocating ₹1.25 lakh crore for the India Semiconductor Mission (ISM) 2.0, significantly higher than the ₹76,000 crore outlay earmarked for the first phase.

As per a report citing sources, the Expenditure Finance Committee is likely to approve the ₹1.25 lakh crore proposal, following which it will be placed before the Union Cabinet for approval.

Meanwhile, third chip manufacturing unit will begin commercial production on Saturday (July 4), with CG Semi Private Limited expected to begin operations, as per a senior official in the Ministry of Electronics and IT (MeitY). The official said the facility will be the third semiconductor unit to become operational among the 12 projects approved by the government under the mission.

"So far, 12 semiconductor projects have been approved under the India Semiconductor Mission. Two have commenced production, and CG Semi is expected to begin commercial production this Saturday (July 4). One or two more facilities are expected to become operational before the end of the year," the official said.

SEZs seek INR settlement, reforms

PUSHPITA DEY @ New Delhi

INDUSTRY representatives from India's Special Economic Zones (SEZs) on Tuesday held a meeting with the Ministry of Commerce to officials, urging the government to allow rupee-denominated payments for services supplied to the domestic market.

They also asked the government to align SEZ rules with other export promotion schemes, and position Free Trade Warehousing Zones (FTWZs) as global logistics hubs.

The SEZs said with India signing several free trade agreements (FTAs), current framework has become even more restrictive for the SEZs , that is leading to loss of competitive edge. They requested to allow payments in rupees for services provided by SEZ units to entities in the Domestic Tariff Area (DTA). While such payments are already permitted for goods supplied from SEZs to domestic market, services must still be paid for in foreign currency.

"Allowing rupee settlement for SEZ services, along with amending the definition of services under SEZ Act, will remove an avoidable compliance burden, support high-end job work in sectors like aerospace, defence and MRO, and reduce dependence on imported services. There are no such requirement in the US, China, the UK, Indonesia, and Thailand," the industry told the ministry. SEZs requested to allow sell of imported goods into the domestic market at zero or preferential duty rates available under India's FTAs, especially for products currently imported from China and FTA partner countries.

The industry proposed developing FTWZs on the lines of GIFT City to attract global warehousing business from hubs such as Dubai, Singapore and Hong Kong. It has sought recognition of warehousing as an export of services under the GST framework, extension of RoDTEP benefits for exports routed through FTWZs, and withdrawal of restrictions imposed through a 2024 government instruction.

TECHNOLOGY

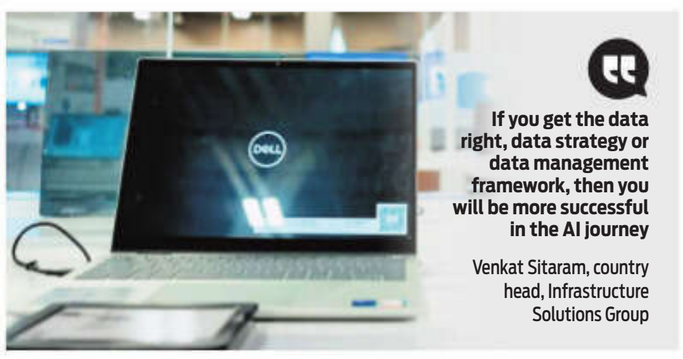
Dell India infra install base grows 20-25% as cos adopt AI

PADMINI DHRUVARAJ @ New Delhi

DELL TECHNOLOGIES' infrastructure install base in India has grown by 20-25%, driven by rising enterprise demand for artificial intelligence (AI) infrastructure, Venkat Sitaram, Senior Director and Country Head, Infrastructure Solutions Group of the company, told TNIE.

"Our India install base has also grown nearly to 20-25%... and we expect this to only climb in the coming days," Sitaram said, adding that the company is expecting further growth through its partner ecosystem. He was speaking on the sidelines of Dell's media briefing and launch of PowerStore Elite in India. The enterprise storage platform is aimed at organisations deploying AI workloads while retaining data on-premises.

The company also introduced a broader portfolio of AI infrastructure offerings, including enhancements to its Dell AI Factory with NVIDIA, Dell Private Cloud and cyber resilience solutions. Sitaram said enterprise demand for AI infrastructure in India has accelerated significantly over the past year. "We've seen the trend shifting at a very rapid pace compared to what it was a year back to now. It's dramatically changed," he said.Demand is coming from a wide range of sectors including government, banking, telecom, financial services, cloud service providers, global capability centres (GCCs) and increasingly medium-sized enterprises, he added.



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> Venkat Sitaram, country head, Infrastructure Solutions Group

According to Sitaram, enterprises are moving beyond AI experimentation, although success depends on selecting the right use cases.

"By and large, not right prioritization of use cases have led to not great outcomes," he said, answering why some AI projects have failed to deliver expected returns. "They (enterprises) will need to engage with the right technology... who can understand... the best ROI and what are the right use cases." Among AI applications already moving into production in India, Dell is seeing adoption in code generation, computer vision, fraud detection, customer experience and troubleshooting services.

Sitaram said the biggest challenge for enterprises is no longer access to computing power but managing data effectively.

"The biggest challenge is data," he said. "If you get the data right, data strategy or data management framework, then you will be more successful in the AI journey."

Govt extends duty relief on petrochem imports till Jul 15

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

THE government on Tuesday extended the full Customs duty exemption on imports of critical petrochemical products by another 15 days, until July 15, 2026, to ensure uninterrupted supplies to domestic industries as global supply chains continue to recover from disruptions caused by the conflict in West Asia.

The exemption, which was earlier scheduled to end on June 30, was introduced as a temporary relief measure after Indian petroleum companies were asked to prioritise LPG production to ensure adequate domestic availability. The measure was aimed at preventing any disruption in supply of key petrochemical products used by downstream industries.

According to the government, while the supply situation is gradually returning to normal, the short extension has been granted to ensure a smooth transition for industries dependent on these raw materials. The government said the extension would benefit several manufacturing sectors that rely on petrochemical feedstock and intermediates, including plastics, packaging, textiles, pharmaceuticals, chemicals and automotive components.

GOAL American RUSH!

Moroccan players celebrate after winning the penalties against Netherlands on Monday | AP

MOROCCO PLAYERS WHO WERE BORN ELSEWHERE

- 6 France
- 6 Spain
- 3 Belgium
- 3 Netherlands
- 1 Canada

Born outside, made in Morocco

SWAROOP SWAMINATHAN

IT'S impossible to separate the football World Cup without broader themes including identity, politics, migratory patterns and culture. This daily has already written about how the 2026 World Cup is the diaspora World Cup but the Round of 32 clash between Morocco and the Netherlands went beyond that.

For decades, the two countries were in a quiet battle to secure the best talents. And for decades, the European nation was winning that particular arms race. Not anymore. Morocco, World Cup co-hosts in 2030, are winning this race. Over the last few weeks, reports have emerged that Shaqueel van Persie, son of Robin, may declare for Morocco, the country of his mother. For years, the Dutch had players of Moroccan roots. The first seeds of discontent emerged when Hakim Ziyech picked Morocco over The Netherlands. It invited the ire of Marco van Basten, one of Dutch football's great figures. "How can you be stupid enough," he railed, "to opt for Morocco when you are eligible for the Dutch team?"

HOW IT ALL UNFOLDED

NETHERLANDS	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	
MOROCCO	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	

Morocco won 3-2 on penalties

When Ziyech picked the Atlas Lions, he said he had gone with heart. "I've always felt Moroccan, you choose with your heart," he had said. At the 2022 World Cup, 14 of Morocco's 26 men were born outside the country, including four who were born in The Netherlands. In turn, Morocco became the first African team to advance to the semifinal of the World Cup. This year, 19 of their 26 players were born elsewhere including three in the Netherlands. Because there are almost 450,000 people of Moroccan descent living in the Netherlands according to recent estimates, that's a vast talent pool. And because most Moroccan kids' first port of call on the streets of Amsterdam and Rotterdam is football, the Moroccan football federation has cast the scouting net far and wide. Their sophisticated scouting operations have included tapping into the diaspora elsewhere (there was also a call made to Lamine Yamal, whose father was born in Morocco).

It's a win-win situation for them. Take for example the case of Ismael Saibari, the forward born in Spain and educated in football academies in Belgium and the Netherlands. Since 2020, he has been at PSV, whose academy is one of the best in western Europe. By the time he started playing for Morocco in 2024, his technical profile was already mimicking those born in the Netherlands. He scored the winning penalty for the country of his parents against Netherlands, the country which polished and chiselled his game. After the World Cup, he will play for Bayern Munich as they signed him for over 50 million euros.

It's the same thing with Ayoub Bouaddi, the defensive midfielder thought to be valued at almost 100 million already. Born in France, he played for them at all age-group levels. But the country of his parents kept watching from afar.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

DR CONGO: Mpasi (1); Wan-Bissaka (2), Mbemba (22),Tuanzebe (4), Kapaudi(3), Masuaku (26); Moutoussamy (8), Sadiki (14), Kayembe (12); Bakambu (17), Wissa (20).

ENGLAND: Pickford (1); Konsa (2), Stones (5),Guehi (6), O'Reilly (3); Anderson (8), Rice (4), Saka (7), Bellingham (10), Gordon (18); Kane (9)

ENGLAND FACE CONGO TEST

Three Lions will come up against DR Congo in what promises to be a battle of styles. A look...

KANE AND RICE'S FITNESS

Harry Kane has already lit up the stage for The Three Lions at this World Cup with three goals but behind him there seems to be a dearth in quality. **Declan Rice** missed the last game and one wonders what his fitness is like.

LOW BLOCK, COUNTERATTACK

Congo are an extremely well-drilled outfit and do not concede many chances. They will have men behind the ball and make it very tight. But they also pace on the counter & will look to hit Yoane Wissa.

Today's match

England vs DR Congo @ Atlanta Stadium | 9:30 PM

OTHER MATCH

USA vs BOSNIAN SPIRIT

The hosts' high-octane starts have resulted in six first-half goals in the group stages, including openers within the first 10 minutes in two games. They will look to do the same again but Bosnia and Herzegovina will be happy to make it tight and deny any space for the co-hosts.

USA vs Bosnia & Herzegovina @ San Francisco Bay Area Stadium | 5:30 AM*

*IST Thursday

Live on United8 Sports & ZEE5

South American team overcomes odds to produce one of their biggest sporting days by beating four-time champions in penalties

GREAT RESISTANCE

SWAROOP SWAMINATHAN

THE last time Germany lost in a shootout of a major event, a player had to come up with a new penalty technique (Antonin Panenka in 1976). The last — and the only — time Mannschaft had missed a spot-kick in a shootout at the World Cup was in 1982. Since Uli Stielike's miss in the semifinals at the 1982 World Cup, they had converted 15 successful spot-kicks. Their record in shoot-outs at the World Cup was 4-0. It's their thing. Paraguay took a sledgehammer to Germany's thing on Monday night.

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Whenever a sporting powerhouse loses, there is a tendency to see the loss through that prism. Doubtless the four-time champions, who had a few question marks coming into the tournament, were expected to beat the South Americans. But this victory is as much the story of Paraguay, a country sandwiched between Argentina and Brazil, two of football's biggest aristocrats. In terms of skills, Paraguay don't rank highly but what can never be doubted is their capacity to rise to a challenge. Known to play in a low block, they make it really tough for opponents to play through them. In South American qualifying for this event, they conceded only 10 goals (scored only 14 in 18 games). This will to succeed is visible in the eyes of Orlando Gill, the Paraguay keeper who became an overnight sensation thanks to his shot-stopping abilities in the shoot-out.

There was a time in Gill's life when he had to sell his kit to fund his new-born son's medical expenses. There was a time in Gill's life when he had to give away the jersey he had worn at the U-20 Championships to pay the bills. There was even a time when his original ambition — playing centre-forward — had to be nipped because the coach saw his height and sent him in goal.

It has of course worked out well for Gill but that in itself is relative. For years, he was second choice at San Lorenzo in his country. He didn't play a single game between 2020 and 2024 so he packed his bags and left for work in Argentina. It was around this time when he had to fund his son's medical bills. The only thing he retained was his gloves, according to Italian publication La Gazzetta dello Sport. After the clean sheets started rolling in at his club side, Paraguay coach Gustavo Alfaro called him up for the first time. Against Peru in Lima, on his senior debut for Paraguay, Gill kept a clean sheet in a 1-0 win. Off the field, though, his colleagues and he were gearing up for another battle at his club in Argentina. Non-payment of salary. On the brink of bankruptcy, they even had to write because there was no hot water in the bathroom and canteen facilities were inadequate. That situation continues till today. He has not been paid for months.

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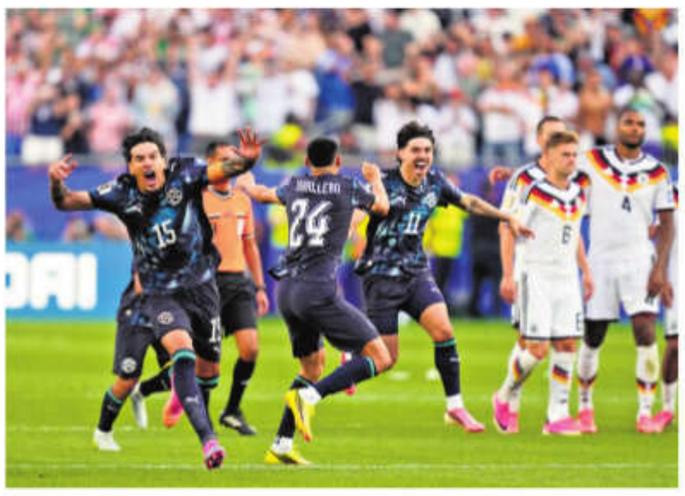
As soon as the South Americans won, the party had begun in Asuncion. The government declared that Tuesday, one of their greatest sporting days, a national holiday. In Boston, far away from the mayhem, Alfaro said his players and support staff 'lived through an epic evening'. "To resist is etched in our identity. As things always are with us, we don't do things without suffering." To the Paraguayan football team, the idea of suffering is to defend, deny space, force opponents to take risks and then catch them on the break. It's how they scored the opening goal. It's how they are in the last 16.



Paraguay players celebrate after their win over Germany on Monday in Boston | AP

HOW IT ALL UNFOLDED

GERMANY	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗
PARAGUAY	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓

Paraguay won 4-3 on penalties

Norway's Erling Haaland (L) scores the winning goal against Ivory Coast | AP

Norway first Euro team to enter Round of 16

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

ERLING Haaland scored his fifth goal of the World Cup as Norway edged past Ivory Coast in their Round of 32 encounter.

Both sides took it in turns to attack each other but the European outfit were that bit more clinical in front of goal. Antonio Nusa had scored the opener with a delightful curling effort before Amad Diallo levelled with a fine solo effort after dribbling and evading a couple of Norway legs inside the box. Just when it seemed like a third consecutive WC match was destined for extra-time, Oscar Bobb and Patrick Berg combined down their right before the latter found an unmarked Haaland inside the six-yard box. Norway will next face Brazil for a place in the last eight. Interestingly, Norway is the only team Brazil has never beaten in international football.

IVORY COAST vs NORWAY

Results: Ivory Coast (Amad 74') 1-2 (Nusa 39', Haaland 86'); **Monday's matches:** Germany 1-1 Paraguay - aet (Paraguay win 4-3 on penalties); Netherlands 1-1 Morocco 1 - aet (Morocco win 3-2 on penalties).

QUICK PASSES

Fans clash with cops after match

THE HAGUE (NETHERLANDS): Soccer fans clashed with police in The Hague and celebrated in Casablanca after Morocco sent the Netherlands to its earliest World Cup exit, eliminating the Dutch on penalties on Monday night. The Netherlands has a sizable Moroccan community and fans of the Morocco team were in a festive mood after the win. Police in The Hague said "heavy fireworks were set off" in the Schilderswijk district, and that police officers were pelted with fireworks and stones.

'Heat dome' over US & Canada

NEW YORK: Extreme heat will greet fans and players this week at the World Cup, as an imposing "heat dome" is travelling towards central and eastern USA and parts of Canada. The phenomenon is a large are of high pressure that traps heat and humidity and can lead to temperatures as high as 105-115 degrees Fahrenheit (40-46 degrees Celsius). Conditions will extend through July 4th with matches from Toronto to Kansas City to East Rutherford, New Jersey and Philadelphia all feeling the heat.

Belgium challenge for Mane & Co

BOTH BELGIUM AND SENEGAL RACKED UP GOALS IN THE FINAL GROUP GAME TO ADVANCE BUT THIS COULD BE TIGHTER. A LOOK AT THEIR CLASH...

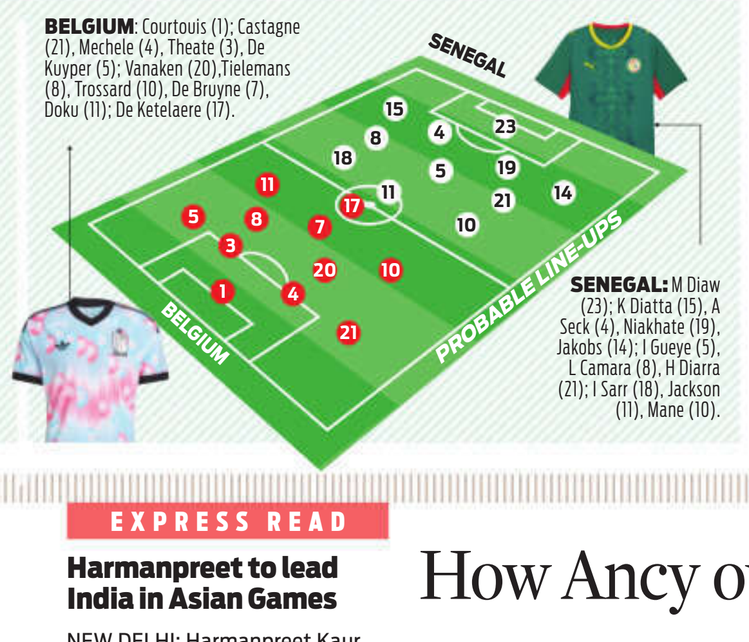
TROSSARD THE KEY

Leandro Trossard's ability to maneuver the ball in tight areas has already created Belgium some chances. His capacity to link-up play before cutting on the inside will have to be watched by Senegal.

SARR TO THE FORE

Ismaila Sarr is the coming force of Senegalese football and he has already showed it multiple times at this event. Sadio Mane has not had the pace to influence play but Sarr's pace and movement will be key.

Live Action Belgium vs Senegal @ Seattle Stadium | 1:30 AM* | *IST Thursday | **LIVE on Unite8 Sports and Zee5**



BELGIUM: Courtouis (1); Castagne (21), Mechele (4), Theate (3), De Kuyper (5); Vanaken (20),Tielemans (8), Trossard (10), De Bruyne (7), Doku (11); De Ketelaere (17).

SENEGAL: M Diaw (23); K Diatta (15), A Seck (4), Niakhate (19), Jakobs (14); I Gueye (5), L Camara (8), H Diarra (21); I Sarr (18), Jackson (11), Mane (10).

EXPRESS READ

Hard-fought win for defending champ Iga

AGENCIES @ London

IGA Swiatek survived a scare to start her Wimbledon title defence with a 6-1, 2-6, 6-3 win over Taylor Townsend on Tuesday.

Swiatek suffered a second-set wobble but World No 3 the Pole, a six-time Grand Slam champion, steadied her nerves in the deciding set, surviving a 21-minute first game before securing the breaks of serve that edged her into the second round. Swiatek buried her head in a towel after converting match point.French Open champion Alexander Zverev came through a four-set battle — 6-4, 6-7 (8/10), 7-6 (7/5), 7-6 (7/0) — with Belgian debutant Alexander Blockx. **Select results (Rd 1): Men:** Djokovic **bt** Wu 6-4, 5-7, 6-4, 6-4; De Minaur (AUS x5) **bt** Burruchaga (ARG) 7-6 (5), 6-1, 6-0; Nakashima (USA x28) **bt** Pinnington Jones (GBR) 6-3, 7-6 (5), 7-5; Faria (POR) **bt** Shimabukuro (JPN) 7-6 (6), 6-3, 6-7 (2), 6-3; Fritz (USA x6) **bt** Lajovic (SRB) 6-3, 6-4, 6-3; Royer (FRA) bt Wendelken (GBR) 4-6, 6-3, 6-3, 6-3; Zverev **bt** Blockx 6-4, 6-7(8), 7-6(5), 7-6(0); **Women:** Paolini (ITA x13) **bt** Montgomery (USA) 0-6, 6-4, 7-5; Sakkari (GRE) **bt** Tauson (DEN x24) 6-3, 6-3; Pliskova (CZE) **bt** Valentova (CZE) 6-3, 6-4; Anisimova (USA x6) **bt** Gjorcheska (MKD) 6-3, 6-2; Kenin (USA) **bt** Marcinko (CRO) 7-6 (4), 6-4; Keys (USA x26) **bt** Day (USA) 6-7 (5), 6-4, 6-3; Bouzkova (CZE x21) **bt** Gibson (AUS) 6-1, 3-6, 6-2; Swiatek (POL x3) **bt** Townsend 6-1, 2-6, 6-3.

Iga Swiatek | AP

Harmanpreet to lead India in Asian Games

NEW DELHI: Harmanpreet Kaur was on Tuesday retained as captain of a largely predictable 15-member India squad for the Asian Games in Japan despite the side's early exit from the T20 World Cup. One change was G Kamalini replacing Yastika Bhatia.

India Open moves to February next year

NEW DELHI: The India Open Super 750 will be held in February next year and at the end of January in 2028, according to the World Tour Calendar announced by the Badminton World Federation (BWF) on Tuesday. The 2026 edition was held in January.

Eighth T20 WC final for Oz women in 10 editions

LONDON: Australia cruised into the Women's T20 World Cup final for the eighth time in ten editions with an 8-wicket win over the West Indies on Tuesday. Set just 126 to win, Beth Mooney led the way with an unbeaten 61 for Australia enter the summit clash.

How Ancy overcame hormonal issues

CHANDRA PRABHU @ Chennai

AT one point, national record holder and long jumper Ancy Sojan's participation at the recently concluded National interstate senior athletics championships in Bhubaneswar was in doubt due to her hormonal issues. It is something that she has been battling for years. Shedding weight and gaining it, the fear of missing her periods and the difficult decisions over her dietary choices: those were some of the thoughts that kept playing in her mind. But on June 27th, the day of the women's long jump final at the Kalinga Stadium, Ancy exorcised those demons and rewrote history.

After a good start, where she recorded a 6.73m jump, the 25-year-old from Thrissur, Kerala broke Anju Bobby George's 22-year-old national record of 6.83m with a mammoth 6.88 metres. She recollected how the wait for the screen to show the distance felt like years. "My heart was racing. I thought maybe this could come up to 6.80 metres. But the wait seemed (for the screen to show her mark) longer," she said, days after her feat. Sojan felt myriad emotions in a short span of time. From screaming her lungs out in joy, she dropped to the floor in tears. "To this day, I still pinch myself about the record-breaking jump. Those tears were for the struggles I underwent and the work I put in this season," she added. The struggles she mentioned, was of her hormonal imbalances due to Polycystic Ovarian Disease (PCOD). "To avoid hormonal imbalances, I had to give up sugary foods, items rich in carbohydrates like rice. That also meant giving up my favourite biryani. There was an instance where I placed my hands on a packet of banana chips but then I told myself to avoid it. I only got to eat carbs in competitions for energy but on training and off-days, it usually is a struggle. It was just vegetables and a chapathi."

Ancy Sojan

While dietary changes are part of athletes' transformation, Ancy opened up on hormonal issues and how it affected her body and eventually her confidence. "I feared about missing my period," she said. "I used to stress myself on it. That I stressed about it also made me doubt myself ahead of competitions. To jump or not to jump was the constant question running in my mind," she added. In fact, her record-performance could not have been a possibility, because of this. "According to my menstrual cycle, I was going to get my period on the day when the finals was scheduled on June 27. I didn't know whether I would take part in the competition. If heat rises, becomes even more difficult," she said.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

Vaibhav's time is now, but will he get a chance?

GOMESH S @ Chennai

NOT that handing Vaibhav Sooryavanshi his India cap would have guaranteed a series win in Ireland, but after the historic series loss, the focus has remained on the 15-year-old who continues to wait in the wings. Will Wednesday finally be the day where Sooryavanshi makes history as India take on England in the first of the five T20Is in Durham? Skipper Shreyas Iyer kept his cards close on the eve of the match. Meanwhile, several former players, including Sunil Gavaskar and Graeme Swann, have batted for the 15-year-old's inclusion in the playing XI. Swann said that if he was India coach he would build a batting line-up around the 15-year-old.

IND vs ENG, 1st T20I, Durham | Live on Sony Sports Network & JioHotstar, 10PM

Full story: newindianexpress.com

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"The Honorable Prime Minister has called the third decade of the 21st century the decade of Uttarakhand. In line with the Prime Minister's vision, we are working with an uncompromised resolve a 'Vikalp Rahit Sankalp' to make the state an exemplary state in every field."

PUSHKAR SINGH DHAMI, Chief Minister, Uttarakhand

"There are two major pillars in building the developed India of the 21st century. First, taking pride in our heritage, and second, making every possible effort for development. Today, Uttarakhand is continuously strengthening both of these pillars. This decade is Uttarakhand's decade."

NARENDRA MODI, Prime Minister

Foundation Stone Laid for Iconic Ropeway Projects

The foundation stone has been laid for the construction of ropeways from Gaurikund to Kedarnath and Govindghat to Hemkund Sahib.

"The 12.9 km ropeway from Sonprayag to Kedarnath will be constructed at a cost of ₹4,081 crore, while the 12.4 km ropeway from Govindghat to Hemkund Sahib will be built at a cost of ₹2,730 crore.

Expansion of Air Services

An additional terminal has been constructed at the Dehradun Airport.

Regular flight services have commenced from Dehradun Airport to major Indian cities, including Ahmedabad, Bhubaneswar, Bengaluru, Mumbai, Kolkata, Delhi, Shamshabad, Jaipur, Lucknow, Pune, and Kullu.

Agricultural & Industrial Development

The Central Government has sanctioned a fund of ₹25 crore for farm fencing in the state.

The Central Government has transferred 45.33 of land belonging to the HMT Factory in Haldwani (Ranibagh) to the Government of Uttarakhand.

Roads and Corridors

Approval has been granted for the construction of the proposed Rispana and Bindal Elevated Corridor projects to alleviate growing traffic congestion in Dehradun city.

The Prime Minister dedicated to the nation the 210 km long Delhi-Dehradun Economic Corridor, built at a cost of ₹11,963 crore.

The Central Government has approved ₹1,105 crore for the construction of the 12.67 km long, 4-lane Rishikesh Bypass.

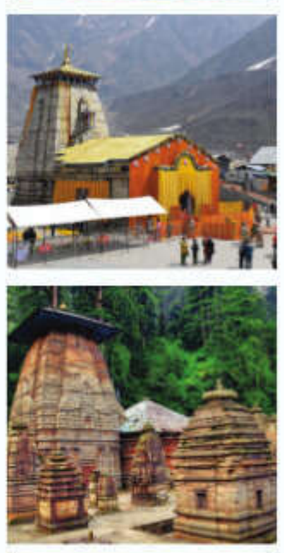
Railway Expansion

Uttarakhand welcomes two Vande Bharat Express trains, making travel from Dehradun to Delhi and Dehradun to Lucknow highly convenient.

"Train operations have been approved for routes connecting Lalkuan to Amritsar Junction, and Dehradun to Tanakpur.

Construction of the Rishikesh - Karnaprayag rail line is progressing rapidly, with 72.5% of the work already completed.

Approval has been granted for the survey of the Tanakpur- Bageshwar rail route; work on the project's Detailed Project Report (DPR) is underway at a swift pace.



NEW DIMENSIONS OF DEVELOPMENT

Development Initiatives Dedicated to Nation Building

Uttarakhand allocated ₹4,769 crore under the Rail Budget in the Union Budget 2026-27.

The chardham shrines have been connected with an all-weather road built at a cost of over ₹12,000 crore, making travel across the mountains smooth and hassle-free.

Uttarakhand secured the first position among small states in the Export Preparedness Index 2024 released by NITI Aayog.

The Jamrani Dam project received approval from the Central Government. To be constructed at a cost of ₹3,678.23 crore, the project is slated for completion by June 2029.

To economically empower women, more than 2 lakh 54 thousand women in the state have successfully become 'Lakhpati Didis'.

A dedicated Rafting Base Station will be built in Rishikesh, for which the Central Government has sanctioned ₹100 crore.

The National Games were hosted in the state for the very first time.

Tourism, Culture & Sports

Work is progressing rapidly under the Master Plans for Kedarnath and Badrinath Dham. Development projects worth ₹255 crore are underway to transform Badrinath Dham into a smart spiritual hill town.

The grand construction of the Yamuna Teerth Sthal in Haripur Kalsi is currently underway.

A fund of ₹500 crore has been released to kickstart preparations for the upcoming Kumbh Mela 2027 in Uttarakhand.

Health & Social Welfare

A total of 61 lakh Ayushman cards have been generated in the state under the Atal Ayushman Yojana. So far, over 17 lakh patients have benefited from cashless treatment worth more than ₹3,400 crore.

Construction of the AIIMS Satellite Centre in Kichha is in full swing, with 85% of the project already completed.

Under the Vibrant Villages Programme, around 200 development projects are being executed across 51 border villages at a cost of over ₹270 crore.

Water Resources & Disaster Management

The Song River Dam Drinking Water Project has received approval from the Central Government. Being constructed at a total cost of ₹2,520.86 crore, this project will supply 150 Million Liters per Day of drinking water to Dehradun city and its suburban areas.

For the mitigation of landslide-prone sites, Uttarakhand has received a central assistance of ₹113.90 crore under the ₹461 crore State Disaster Mitigation Fund.

National Achievements & Good Governance

Uttarakhand secured the 1st rank across the country in the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) India Index 2023-24 released by NITI Aayog.

On the occasion of National Startup Day, the Department of Industries, Government of Uttarakhand, was awarded a Certificate of Appreciation for its outstanding performance in the startup ecosystem.

The Central Government has sanctioned an incentive of ₹264.5 crore to Uttarakhand for implementing various reforms initiated by the Urban Development and Housing Department.

Uttarakhand delivered an outstanding performance in mining sector reforms, securing the 2nd position in the country, for which the Central Government has released an incentive bonus of ₹200 crore."

When we come from our hometowns to Devbhoomi for the Chardham Yatra, we do so with a resolve in our hearts. In the same spirit, I would also like to urge you to take five resolves: Narendra Modi

First Resolve : Cleanliness is paramount.

Second Resolve : Sensitivity toward nature and the environment.

Third Resolve : Emphasis on service, cooperation, & unity.

Fourth Resolve : Promotion of 'Vocal for Local'.

Fifth Resolve : Adherence to discipline, safety, & decorum.

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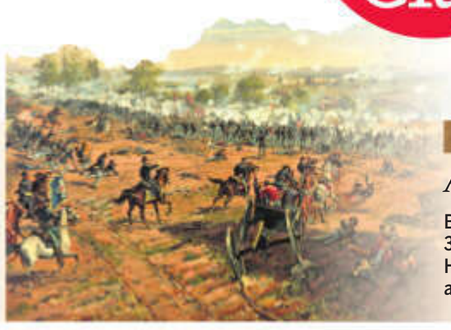

DAY'S DIARY

A Civil War Battle

Battle of Gettysburg was fought 35 miles (56 km) southwest of Harrisburg since this day in 1863, as part of the American Civil War

ITS IMPORTANCE

It is generally regarded as the turning point of the war and has probably been more intensively studied and analysed than any other battle in US history

DAY ONE

During the three-day battle, the first day was a definite, but indecisive victory for the Confederates, commanded by General Robert Lee

BATTLEFIELD MEMORIAL

In 1864, the Gettysburg Battlefield Memorial Association was established to preserve the battlefield as a memorial to the Union Army

Interview with Samyuktha Viswanathan

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Queer art on the walls of Anna University

Artists add colours of perspectives to their creations, the mediums they use, and explain how art splashes change

NUANCES OF QUEER 'ART'IVISM

RAKSHITHA PRIYA G

WHEN I was at Chennai's Pride Walk, it was all sunshine and rainbows everywhere, literally. Colourful masquerade masks, flags, and plaque cards, everything and everyone grabbed my attention. Yet there were two particular paraphernalias that stayed with me, a hand-painted canvas of BR Ambedkar against the LGBTQIA+ rainbow background and of Periyar burning the recently introduced Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Amendment Bill, 2026, amongst other mixed media artworks at the walk. Maybe that's what art does: it turns heads, makes us observe, think, and then, simply stays with us.

Over the years, the art's medium has evolved, platform has transformed, queer legislature has changed (or atleast tried to), but the art movement hasn't stopped or slowed down for anybody. If anything, it has just become visible to wider audiences through social media. "It's a silent protest, a silent activism through art. 'Artivism'. Maybe my way of showing gratitude to my community," says digital artist Parameshwaran alias Paramu San, whose Instagram page, @queer.azhagiyal, has become a visual archive of celebrating queer lives through a Tamil lens.

For him, the need to create began not from what existed, but from what didn't. Queer representation was never entirely absent. But it almost always arrived filtered through unfamiliar cultures, languages, and aesthetics. Rarely did it resemble the Tamil homes, streets, traditions, and people he knew. "We could find queer representation, but rarely queer representation that felt culturally familiar. We seldom saw ourselves reflected through Tamil languages, aesthetics, traditions, or everyday realities. Being seen is important, but belonging goes beyond visibility. It is the feeling that your story, culture, and identity deserve space without needing to be translated or justified. That absence made us understand how powerful culturally-rooted representation can be," says Parameshwaran.

And so, the absence slowly transformed into an artistic language of its own. His illustrations dress queer people in familiar clothing, jewellery, darker skin tones, local symbolism, and cultural practices. "It is our way of saying that queerness and Tamil identity do not exist in opposition to each other. They've always been here," he adds.

If Parameshwaran's work is about reclaiming cultural belonging, artist Naveen Daniel visually focuses on cross-solidarity and gives voice to the marginalised across sections. For the Dalit artist with disability, who is a demisexual illustrator, art, personally, became a language for emotions where words often failed. "The emotions I return to most often are grief, sadness, loneliness, hope, and resilience. Art initially became a way for me to process pain and express emotions that I found difficult to put into words."

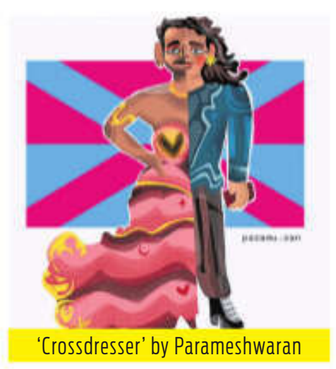
His illustrations often emerge from lived experiences — of disability, isolation, and queerness — but they rarely remain there. Instead of allowing pain to become the final narrative, Naveen consciously paints towards hope. "I paint the world not only as it is, but as I wish it could be. Through my work, I imagine more inclusive, accessible, and compassionate futures where disabled, queer, caste-oppressed, and other marginalised people can exist with dignity and joy," explains Naveen.

It is perhaps this shift that defines contemporary queer artivism. While earlier narratives were often compelled to justify queer existence and talk about their struggles, today's artists are increasingly asking questions such as: What does queer joy look like?

That question, perhaps, found its largest canvas on the recently-unveiled mural along Anna University's Kotturpuram wall. Stretching across a public space traversed daily by Chennaiites, the mural does not centre the textbook heroes. Instead, it celebrates the lives of extraordinary humans.

Mixed-media artist Ghana NB, who led the collaborative project with Aravani Art Project and Anonymous Artist Collective, an idea initiated by Tamizhachi Thangapandian and her team, intentionally moved away from familiar portrayals of queer identity. Staying away from the usual representation of "a very perverted view of queer people", Ghana admits that they had the responsibility to move beyond stereotypical sketches. "The point (of the wall mural) was to actually normalise queer lives. Queer people are already expressive through their clothing, grooming and makeup. We didn't need to exaggerate anything. We just needed to create personalities."

Art by Naveen Daniel



'Crossdresser' by Parameshwaran

The simplicity opted for is deliberate. Rather than framing queer identity through romance, trauma or conflict; the mural quietly insists that everyday existence itself deserves visibility.

Queer volunteers painted alongside professional artists, each encouraged to leave fragments of themselves on the wall. And just like that a simple yet profound addition made it to the wall. "One of the artists asked me if they could write 'Gender is Political' on the wall. I said, 'Go ahead.' As they were painting it, they had goosebumps because it felt powerful to write those words in a public space. I feel sometimes we never call out the problem. Unless you name something as a problem, you're never going to address it. That statement says we're here, we're not here to be dismissed, and we're here in the nicest way possible," Ghana says, with unapologetic pride in her voice.

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>
> Parameshwaran, digital artist

In many ways, that spirit of collaboration mirrors the larger philosophy of queer activism itself. It is less about individual expression than collective memory. Even when these artists speak about it, they rarely describe confrontation. Instead, they speak about recognition. For Naveen, representation means refusing to reduce marginalised communities to suffering and portray them as "complex, beautiful human beings with dreams, creativity, love, and agency". For Parameshwaran, success arrives in the quietest of moments when someone viewing his work thinks, 'That looks like me'. For Ghana, it is the possibility that someone may walk away feeling just a little less alone.

But what does this artivism offer the artist in return? All the artists land on one point: meaningfulness. "Art gives me a language to communicate experiences and ideas that are sometimes difficult to express through words alone. Creating work around these themes helps me process my own experiences while also connecting with others who may see parts of themselves reflected in the work," says Naveen.

Parameshwaran concurs that creating queer-centred work feels empowering and meaningful. He adds, "It allows us to transform lived experiences into shared narratives, build connections within the community, and contribute to a growing archive of queer stories and perspectives."

Ghana, meanwhile, takes a strong stance on why art always hits hard. "I feel art is the best way to disturb people. It's a very graceful way to disturb people. I hope it disturbs a lot of people in the right way and comforts a lot of people in the right way too. Comfort the uncomfortable and disturb the comfortable — that's what I want it to do."

Prejudices and punchlines

NIDHARSHANA RAJU

INSIDE Medai — The Stage in Alwarpet, those who gathered on Sunday were anything but a passive audience. They rose to wish their teacher a good evening, settled in as the lecture unfolded chapter by chapter, and even watched their teacher break into a song she wrote herself, only to have her dive into the crowd to be carried across the room. At one point, people were even asked to pass around a copy of the "study material," examining it as the lesson continued. And at the end of it all, the audiences were all bestowed with a degree.

What lecture? One on *Kalacharam*. And who taught it? Manjula, the comic persona of actor and theatre practitioner Maya S Krishnan, who was created during a task inside the *Bigg Boss Tamil* house a couple seasons back. The intent behind the character's birth was simple: to call out sexism and misogyny by inhabiting the voice of the oppressor and exaggerating its logic to the point of absurdity for it to strike a chord.

Once out of the *Bigg Boss* house, Maya began to create short-form videos as Manjula and they took social media by storm. Her satirical sketches on everything, from how women should laugh demurely to why menstruation must remain a closely-guarded secret, inspired countless lip-syncs, remakes, and shares.

Eventually, bringing this comic persona from the screen to the stage — through a solo standup special titled 'Pomblel' — was less a calculated move and more an organic evolution, Maya recounted, after performing three back-to-back shows this past weekend.

"I have always wanted to do standup comedy. I see it as a form of theatre; another platform for expression. Besides, all my plays are comedy and are physical. I have toured 100-200 shows of a play. So, Manjula's entry to live stage was simply organic after the way the YouTube videos boomed," she shared, adding, "I want to be political and speak about the state of the world and humour has been my catalyst."

Writing her own sets is not new to Maya as she has long been writing her own lines for contemporary theatre, and even finding her voice while performing *koothu*. "What I found interesting about the writing this time was finding the joke, the root of the joke, and building it," she said. Besides, writing for Manjula to perform on a live stage had to also be different from writing for the character to perform in front of a camera. "YouTube has many cuts. We have worked with some boring sets by playing with the edits, including memes, music, and other ways that digital media allows. But on stage, it is just me and the audience. That part of writing was so fascinating," Maya added.

What mainly fuelled her writing this time was the trust people placed upon her, she admitted, as she had three house-full shows booked even before she completed writing. "It was so encouraging and motivating. I finished my writing in seven days, then we were rehearsing, re-writing, clearing jokes at the last minute, testing the show with friends, and so on," she shared.

Despite the constraints of a tight deadline, Maya wastes no time in stirring indignation while drawing laughter, effectively fulfilling Manjula's satirical purpose.

Maya is set to perform next in Music Academy, on August 15. Tickets are available on Ticket9

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

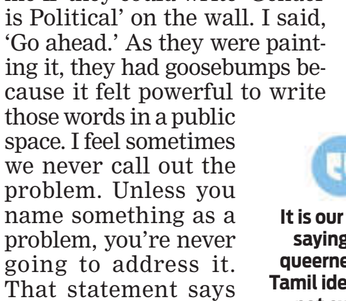
Rahil helps SKM bag lead

VETERAN Rahil Shah's 5/42 and C Hari Nishaanth's 4/55 came in handy for SKM CC to bag a lead of 174 runs over Globe Trotters on the second day of the Senior Division league of the TNCA played at Vivekananda college grounds. Following on, Globe Trotters were 11/1 at stumps.

Brief scores: Young Stars 396 in 152.1 ovs (S Shrenik 49, Adittya Varadharajan 103, R Rohit 61, Daryl S Ferrario 3/97) vs Sea Hawks 67/2 in 30 ovs (B Sachin 36 batting); SKM CC 322 in 118.2 ovs (J Kousik 100, S Ajith Ram 6/100) vs Globe Trotters 148 in 49.1 ovs (Rahil Shah 5/42, C Hari Nishaanth 4/55) & 11/1 in 5 ovs; Jolly Rovers 186 & 174/5 in 61 ovs (R Vimal Khumar 42) vs Singam Puli 176 in 43 ovs (Jitendra Kumar 69, S Lakshay Jain 4/46); Vijay 503/7 decl. in 131 ovs (Manav Parakh 56, Pradosh Ranjan Paul 151, B Aparajith 155, Nidhish S Rajagopal 54 n.o) vs Grand Slam 111/1 in 39 ovs (Abhinav Kannan 56 batting, Aditya Venkatesh 41 batting); Pristine 325 in 88.2 ovs (Maan K. Bafna 93, R Sanjay Yadav 5/71) vs Nelson 288/8 in 81.3 ovs (S Rithik Easwaran 81, Robin Bist 59 batting); Swaraj 187 vs MRC 'A' 368/8 in 98.4 ovs (AP Ananda Kumar 56, Kiran Karthikeyan 149, Charan Chunduru 4/55, Ashwanth Valthapa 4/130).

Balaji champ

Balaji P of Tiruvallur, with 5.5 points, emerged champion in the Tamil Nadu State veteran chess championships held at Bharath Chess Academy, Thiruninravur. The event attracted 40 players from various districts of Tamil Nadu. Srivatsan R, international arbiter and vice president, Tamil Nadu State Chess Association gave away the prizes.



Rahil Shah

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Results: Above 50: 1. Balaji P (Tiruvallur) 5.5/6 points; 2. Ebenezer Joseph (Chennai) 5/6; 3. Saravanan (Tiruvallur) 4.5. Above 65 Category: 1. Azeezuddin H Chengalpattu 5/6 points; 2. Karunakaran M (Tirunelveli) 5/6; 3. Sundara Pandian A (Dindigul) 4/6.

Tharun bags title

Tharun Pranav GB from Tamil Nadu scored eight points at the end of the 9th and final round and won the New Prince Group of Institutions-2nd International Fide Rated chess tournament for players below 1800 ratings, held at New Prince Bhavani College of Engineering and Technology, Chennai. Tharun Pranav got a cash award of ₹40,000 and trophy. Sriman V, who came second, took home ₹30,000 while Pradheep B walked away with ₹20,000 at third place. The event attracted 316 players from various parts of India and also from USA, Sweden, England including 176 Fide rated players.

Placings: 1. Tharun Pranav GB (TN) 8; 2. Sriman V (TN) 7.5; 3. Pradheep B (TN) 7.5; 4. Yasaswini Animi (AP) 7.5; 5. Sarvesh G (TN) 7.5; 6. Bhuvanesh G (TN) 7.5; Muthuraman Kesavamoorthy (TN) 7.5.

SRM bags gold

SRM Institute of Science and Technology (SRMIST) men's basketball team delivered an outstanding performance by winning the gold medal in the 3rd Fighting Star State-Level basketball championship, held at Aranthangi, Pudukottai. In the final SRMIST defeated VK Jayaraman 60-50. A total of 16 teams participated in the tournament.

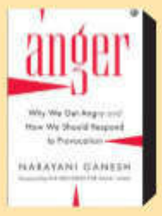
Results : Final: SRMIST bt VK Jayaraman 60-50. Semifinals: SRMIST bt Fighting star 75-47. Final placings: 1. SRMIST ,Chennai; 2. VK Jayaraman Basketball Club; 3. Tiruveni Basketball Club, Salem; 4 Fighting Star Basketball Club, Pudukottai.

BOOK NOOK

The Trees of My Country: A Natural History of India In 50 Trees

By TR Shankar Raman

A celebration of the trees of India — from the mundane to the magnificent, through evocative word portraits.



Anger: Why We Get Angry and How We Should Respond to Provocation

By Narayani Ganesh

The author takes readers on a journey into the nature of anger — what triggers it, why it overwhelms us, and more.

Her Story, Her Glory: The Making of Women's Cricket in India

By Aditya Bhushan

This book seeks to trace the remarkable rise of women's cricket in India, from its beginnings in colonial-era exhibition matches to its emergence as a serious sporting movement in the 1970s.

Twisted Minds: A True Account of Serial Killers from Around the World

By Anisha Dutta

The author traces the darkly fascinating lives and crimes of some of history's most notorious criminals.

WATER WANDERINGS

Families and youngsters cool off at the Krishna River canal in Thandalam, seeking relief from the sultry weather. | **P RAVIKUMAR**

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LETTUCE OMELETTE

INGREDIENTS

- **Eggs:** 2
- **Oil:** 1 tbsp
- **Soy sauce with minced garlic and ginger**
- **Lettuce leaves:** 4
- **To serve** (optional)
- **Chilli oil:** 1 tsp

METHOD

- Separate the eggs, put the whites in one bowl and the yolks in another, whisk both.
- Chop the leaves and mix into the beaten egg whites.
- Put a pan on a low-medium heat and add oil. Add the egg white mixture, spread it, and leave to cook until set. Roll it to create an omelette.
- Slice and serve with chilli oil, soy sauce flavoured with minced ginger and garlic.

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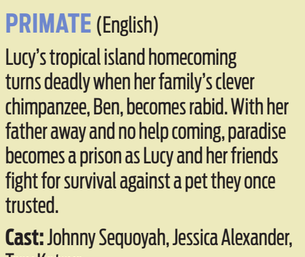

PERFECT FAMILY (Hindi, series)

Members of the Kakaria family attend therapy session together to deal with their resentments, insecurities, and hidden issues.

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- **Watch on:** SonyLIV

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ENOLA HOLMES 3 (English)

Adventure follows detective Enola Holmes to Malta, where her plans to tie the knot unravel when Sherlock's disappearance plunges her into a perilous case.

Cast: Millie Bobby Brown, Louis Partridge, Henry Cavill, Helena Bonham Carter

- **Watch on:** Netflix

PRIMATE (English)

Lucy's tropical island homecoming turns deadly when her family's clever chimpanzee, Ben, becomes rabid. With her father away and no help coming, paradise becomes a prison as Lucy and her friends fight for survival against a pet they once trusted.

Cast: Johnny Sequoyah, Jessica Alexander, Troy Kotsur

- **Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

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2. BIRD DOG

Come onto the hands and knees, with the hands under the shoulders and knees under the hips. Extend one leg back. If steady, reach the opposite arm forward. Keep the hips level and avoid arching or rotating the lower back. Hold for 2 to 3 breaths, then change sides.

3. FOREARM PLANK VARIATION

Place the forearms on the floor, with the elbows under the shoulders. Keep the knees down and form a straight line from the head to the knees. For a stronger version, extend both legs. Keep the abdomen gently active and do not let the hips drop. Hold for 10 to 20 seconds.

4. VASISTHASANA VARIATION (Supported Side Plank)

Lie on one side with both knees bent and the lower elbow under the shoulder. Press the forearm and knees down and lift the hips. Keep the chest open without rolling forward. Hold for 2 to 3 breaths and change sides.

5. DEAD BUG VARIATION

Lie on the back with the knees bent and arms reaching upwards. Lift one foot and slowly lower the heel towards the floor while keeping the trunk steady. Return and change sides. If comfortable, begin with both knees lifted. Repeat 6 to 8 times per side.

Move slowly and breathe normally. Stop if there is sharp pain, numbness, dizziness or increasing back discomfort. Seek guidance after recent abdominal or spinal surgery, or for persistent back pain.

By Naveen Sharma, Yoga Expert at Yoga Circle by Cult — a fitness and wellness platform

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WHEN: Till July 4

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WHEN: July 10-19 **WHERE:** Mantra Gardens, Nandanam Extension

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WHEN: Till July 5

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Artiform presents The Collectors Room: 'Spatial Dialogues' by Shreyans Bohra. The contemporary exhibition is curated by Isaiarasi Annamalai and features acclaimed artistes Bhagwan Chavan, Dilipkumar Kesavan, Jacob Jebaraj, and Pravin Kannanur.

WHEN: Till July 20

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GOLDEN PASSAGE

Kochi-based artist Rosemolly N C paints a solitary boatsman gliding past a setting sun on the serene backwaters of Kerala.

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Apollo Proton Cancer Centre performs high-risk breast cancer surgery

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

IN a remarkable demonstration of multidisciplinary coordination and advanced surgical planning, a high-risk breast cancer surgery was successfully performed at Apollo Proton Cancer Centre, Chennai, by breast surgical oncologist, Dr Manjula Rao, and her team, on a young woman with severe pulmonary arterial hypertension, a condition that significantly increases the risk of anaesthesia and surgery.

The patient, who was a known case of Systemic Lupus Erythematosus, had previously begun chemotherapy elsewhere but experienced a life-threatening collapse following her first cycle of treatment. Upon referral to APCC, she was found to have pulmonary arterial pressures approaching 140 mmHg (normal value: less than 20 mmHg), placing her at extreme perioperative risk. Additionally, her platelet counts continued to decline even 1.5 months after completion of chemotherapy, further complicating her cancer treatment pathway and placing her at significant risk of becoming unfit for curative surgery.

However, the multidisciplinary team led by Dr Manjula remained committed to pursuing a curative treatment strategy, recognising that the patient was under 40 years of age and had early-stage, potentially curable breast cancer. Through meticulous monitoring and coordinated medical management, the team was able to safely perform the breast cancer surgery, thereby enabling treatment with curative intent and significantly improving her prognosis.

Given the high anaesthetic risk associated with general anaesthesia in patients with severe pulmonary hypertension, the surgical team devised a carefully structured plan. The procedure was conducted under a high thoracic epidural block without sedation or muscle relaxants, allowing the surgery to be completed safely while minimising cardiopulmonary strain.

Despite the significant challenges, the surgery was completed successfully within a carefully optimised time frame. The patient recovered well and was discharged home within 24 hours, fully mobile and stable. Today, nearly six months after completion of treatment, the patient remains disease-free, is enjoying a good quality of life, and has returned to her family and daily activities.

"High-risk cancer surgery is never about a single individual — it is about meticulous preparation, transparent patient counselling, multidisciplinary collaboration, and precision medicine. This case demonstrates that with careful planning and coordinated expertise, even patients with extremely high-risk medical profiles can safely undergo potentially curative cancer treatment," said Dr Manjula.

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'Katchi Sera gave me love, hate, and trolls'

In an exclusive conversation with CE, Samyuktha opens up about her early acting efforts, dealing with the fame and hate that came with the success of '*Katchi Sera*', her upcoming projects, and more

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ACTOR Samyuktha Viswanathan's Instagram bio reads, "Every overnight success is 10 years in the making." The actor might have found her spot under the limelight with Sai Abhyankkar's '*Katchi Sera*' video, but true to her bio, her overnight success was also years in the making. A trained ballet dancer, a theatre actor, and a student of Performance Studies at New York University, Samyuktha's journey has been building towards this 'overnight' success. Recently, she played a starring role in *Double Occupancy*, her maiden full-length feature film in Tamil. In this exclusive conversation, she opens up about this journey, dealing with the fame and hate that came with the success of '*Katchi Sera*', working with Dulquer Salmaan and Mysskin on Nahas Hidayath's *I'm Game*, and more.

Excerpts:

What is it like to be an actor in today's times?
I remember telling my mother that I thought this career would be 80-90 per cent acting and 10-20 per cent other things. But in reality, acting accounted for only 60 per cent. The rest is all about promotions, staying relevant, networking, etc. See, things are changing now. Until a couple of years back, when I was auditioning at multiple places throughout the country, a common piece of feedback I got was that I needed to have more social media following and more relevance.

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Double Occupancy had a largely young team... How was the experience?
Working with this team was fun, but detachment became hard. I remember my friends saying that it was okay to be attached to your character while making the film, but beyond that I should be able to detach after it is done. But leading up to the film's release, when I should have detached, I was constantly thinking of ways to promote the film, and was asking the team, 'Should we make some reels? Is this idea good? Shall I go do an interview?' While it was a lot of chaos, it was fun.

But you were able to see the fruits of those efforts, right?
I have sat and cried for lots of films. So, when people came to me and told me that the film was very emotional, I was satisfied, as it was a full-circle moment.

I get deeply affected by films. I remember crying for *Alaipayuthey* (2000), which was the first film I saw. Films like *Ghajini* (2005) gave me a fever. When I watched *Vinnaithaandi Varuvaayaa* (2010), I refused to get up from my seat because I was sobbing that Karthik and Jessie didn't end up together. So, when I watched these films, I decided I wanted to make people experience a range of emotions in the theatre.

Before you were an actor, you were a ballet dancer. How did you start in that art form?
I started to learn ballet when I was in fourth standard. My mother and grandfather were the ones who encouraged me to take up ballet. I guess my mother wanted to dance when she was little, and when I was a child she had watched ballet somewhere and wanted me to learn that style. But it has since become my first love.

But in time you got your breakthrough with '_Katchi Sera_'...
My first reaction was shock. I remember realising that the song would become a hit as soon as I heard it. I also remember telling Sai (Abhyankkar) it was going to work, for sure. But the thought that the song would become a phenomenon and that I would get recognised for it, never crossed my mind. So when the result of ten years of work hit me, I thought I would be ready. Instead, I was overwhelmed by shock, happiness, and an extreme sense of euphoria.

While a lot of love came my way, a lot of hate and trolls came too. While I was able to ignore a lot of them, the comment that hurt me the most was: "Just by performing a couple of simple steps, people like her are becoming famous." While I did respond to that politely, it did affect me. While there are a lot of comments I can ignore, comments about my work keep me up at night.

Could you share some insights about your upcoming projects?
Now *I'm Game* is coming up, then it is *Mr Bhaarath* and *Texas Tiger*. I have also done a Tamil short film called *Thottal Poo Malarum*, which was an official selection at the New York Indian Film Festival, and is about hymenoplasty, which I couldn't believe was a real procedure. I am also working on a rom-com in Telugu.

Adivi Sesh and Wamiqa Gabbi return to film *G2*

ADIVI Sesh and Wamiqa Gabbi are expected to return to the set of their upcoming film *G2*, the sequel to *Goodachari*, this July. In the recent past, Adivi Sesh took a break from cinema, following the release of *Dacoit*. On the other hand, Wamiqa Gabbi has been busy with the promotions of her recent films, *Bhooth Bangla* and *Pati Patni Aur Woh Do*.

Directed by Vinay Kumar Sirigineedi, the upcoming thriller continues the journey of Adivi Sesh's spy character from the 2018 original film. Speaking about coming back to the set, Adivi Sesh stated, "I'm looking forward to getting back on set in July because this phase includes some of the most important portions of the film." Besides Adivi Sesh and Wamiqa Gabbi, *G2* also stars Emraan Hashmi.

ONE PIECE SEASON 3 WRAPS PRODUCTION

THE makers of the live-action adaptation of *One Piece* Season 3, titled *The Battle of Alabasta*, announced that they have wrapped production. The filming commenced late last year. Both the second and third seasons revolve around the Alabasta saga. The second season, which premiered in March, builds the journey towards the Alabasta island as they enter the Grand Line. The third season is expected to focus on the war in Alabasta and Luffy facing Crocodile in a showdown. Based on Eiichiro Oda's record-breaking manga, Netflix's *One Piece* follows Monkey D Luffy and his crew as they embark on an epic ocean voyage in search of the legendary treasure that will make Luffy the King of the Pirates. The series stars Inaki Godoy as Luffy, alongside Mackenyu (Roronoa Zoro), Emily Rudd (Nami), Jacob Romero (Usopp), and Taz Skylar (Sanji).

Persona live-action series in the works

THE popular anime series *Persona*, which is based on an RPG game, is getting a live-action adaptation at Netflix. It is worth noting that the streamer has also produced live-action shows based on popular games like *The Witcher, Arcane, Cyberpunk: Edgerunners,* and *Tomb Raider: The Legend of Lara Croft*. The video game revolves around Japanese high school students who try to live normal lives and build relationships while staving off threats from supernatural elements. Christopher Monfette has taken up the writing duties of the adaptation in addition to serving as the showrunner. Monfette is known for his work on *Star Trek: Picard*. His upcoming projects include the Marvel's *VisionQuest*.

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CINEMA WITHOUT BORDERS
In this weekly column, the writer introduces you to powerful cinema from across the world
Film: Blaise

THERE'S almost no one who can be described as regular in Dimitri Planchon and Jean-Paul Guigue's French adult animation film, *Blaise*. It assembles a most delightful set of quirky, poker-faced characters who seem to be forever caught in the grips of dysfunctional families, off-kilter personal relationships and professional partnerships. Based on Planchon's own comic strip, the film is centred on the gawky, underconfident, teenage loner Blaise Savage (Timeo Beasse) who is too socially anxious to make friends. Ridiculously pliant, he is the kind who'd be quiet and all by himself in a corner with a drink in hand in a rambunctious party.

The parents are freakier than him. His Mother Carole (Lea Drucker) is cold-blooded and calculating, despised at work though the success of her next project hinges on getting along well with the new team. Will she be able to accomplish it? Father Jacques (Jacques Gamblin) doesn't seem to get anything right. Jobless for almost all his life and afflicted with allergies, he craves attention and respect that he never gets. All the three remain alienated and disjointed from each other. The Savage family isn't alone. Even romance comes kooky with Blaise pairing up with an uber revolutionised young Josephine (Nina Blanc-Francard) who believes in violence as a political tool and, in her crusading zeal, is ready to blow up everything. She, curiously, is the only one who doesn't just notice him but finds him mysterious and can spot "great depth and dignity behind his silence".

Full marks to the animation (graphic design by Planchon) for breathing life in each and every one of these eccentric figures. The cut-out paper/digital photomontage style renders human faces in a wonderfully detailed manner, down to the minutiae of the deadpan look and the misfit personalities captured in all their glorious imperfections, down to the oversized, bulbous noses. Even a side player has intriguing individuality, like the self-obsessed TV actor who thinks everyone is his fan when nobody recognises him. A therapist/counselor who herself has a lot to share, unburden and seek help for and a coworker who gets irate about just five minutes of overtime. It's no wonder *Blaise* won the Grand Prix in the Contrechamp competition section at the recently concluded Annecy International Animation Film Festival and Market. The film had its world premiere earlier in May in the ACID (Association for the Diffusion of Independent Cinema) sidebar at the Cannes Film Festival.

At one level the film can be read as a serious satire on contemporary families, society and work culture, the constant expectations and defined standards, cutthroat competition and intense scrutiny and evaluation, that are enough to overwhelm the oddballs and the not-so-gifted. The resultant lack of self-esteem and alienation makes them recede and turn quiescent. But Planchon's writing, as surly and sharp as the artwork itself, scales things up. He pushes the envelope with his distinct blunt and brazen sense of humour. He has a way of creating some extremely bizarre and terribly funny situations for his freaky characters to get caught in. His mind conjures a protest that turns into a violent battleground after the throwing of a bottle of beer. There's a wild, loud party where people, unable to hear each other, talk at cross-purpose. A heightened evocation of lack of communication and connection. A "misunderstanding" makes a woman discover her hidden desires and sexuality. A middle-aged man loses track of his old mother at a hospital reception. And an office celebration involves chips, the game of monopoly, dancing and spilled grapefruit juice leading to some serious mix-up.

Even politics can't escape Planchon's delicious drollery. Marxists get lammed for living like capitalists, youngsters are criticised for not having "political consciousness" and in all of the madness, one rational thought stands out: a revolution is a mere rupture in our fractured, malevolent reality that actually demands "continual uprising" to set the clock right. Touche!

Krysten Ritter returns to *Dexter: Resurrection* S2

BREAKING Bad-fame Krysten Ritter is set to return as a guest star in the second season of *Dexter: Resurrection*. She played Mia, aka Lady Vengeance, in the first season, who is killed while in prison. However, the series is known for bringing back dead characters in flashbacks or as a twin.

In addition to Uma Thurman, returning for season 2, the new cast includes Brian Cox, Bokeem Woodbine, Dan Stevens, and Nona Parker Johnson. With Michael C Hall playing the titular role, the first season follows Dexter sustaining a bullet injury from his son and sets out for New York City to make things right.